

LEWIS JR. BACKS AWAY FROM A-HOAX

By Max Gordon

Radio commentator Fulton Lewis, Jr., yesterday tried to back away from his latest "atom sensation," as a press conference held by the obviously confused stooge, a Major Racey Jordan, revealed it to be a hammy fraud. The press conference was held at the engineering consultant firm, American Pacific Industrial Corp., of which Jordan is now assistant to the president. There was not a reporter in the crowded room who did not know it was strictly burlesque, and most had cynical grins on their faces through the performance.



JORDAN

The pudgy, ex-major, a fast-talking individual in his 50's who explained he had been stationed during the war at Great Falls, Mont., to inspect and expedite lend-lease material to the Russians, declared he had seen nothing

But it made good anti-Soviet, anti-Roosevelt reading and helped to promote spy hunts. And as one newspaperman remarked in an aside, "you gotta have something to sell papers."

'Was USSR Ally or Not?' Asks Ex-Officer

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 6 (UP).—Former I. Philip Silver, supply officer who cleared lend-lease supplies through Ladd Field at Fairbanks, Alaska, to Russia from 1942 to 1944, tonight asked, "Why doesn't somebody make it plain that Russia was our wartime ally?"

If any confusion existed in shipping supplies in their regular path through Great Falls, Mont., and Ladd Field to Russia, "it was because we were trying to save Stalingrad," he said.

"We guys feel kind of funny now with everybody talking about sabotage and aiding the enemy," Silver said. "We thought we were doing our jobs by getting supplies into Russia in time to save some American soldiers' lives."

amiss in any of the stuff he had inspected until he had been approached by Lewis on Oct. 25 of this year.

The stuff included suitcases full of all kinds of technical documents, none of which he had read, but some of which, according to his notes, were stamped "Oak Ridge," and "Manhattan Project."

Also, he related, now, five years after the event, he has adduced, with Lewis' help, that many of the documents were "secret" or "confidential" because the places where such notations are usually marked were "cut out with scissors."

This was the sole extent of the "proof" offered by Jordan that there was anything illegitimate about the stuff sent to the Russians.

NEW "REVELATIONS"

During the course of the conference, he blurted out some "new" revelations about how the Russians got American radar "secrets." It developed he had not mentioned these "revelations" previously either to Lewis or to the Un-American Activities Committee. They had, he said later, "just occurred to him." He also explained to this reporter, later, that the Russians had gotten this radar by

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COUNCIL UNIT OK'S O'D PAY HIKE RUSE

By Michael Singer

Mayor O'Dwyer's original pay grab plan will be reported out today by the City Council finance committee, it was learned yesterday. The Mayor and Comptroller will get \$15,000 raises. Slight cuts for other members of the Board of Estimate and for the City Council were seen as the final move of a slick trick to bring the salaries to the real amounts the O'Dwyer administration hoped to achieve.

The Mayor's original proposal was slightly higher than what he expected to get, it was reliably reported. Anticipating the widespread protests that developed, the administration purposely scaled the proposed raises higher. In line with this scheme the finance committee proposed the following hikes for members of the Board of Estimate and City Council:

The President of the City Council will get a \$10,000 raise instead of \$15,000; the five borough presidents, \$7,500 instead of \$10,000 and City Council members a \$2,000 raise instead of \$2,500.

The Mayor's salary will be raised to \$40,000; the Comptroller's \$35,000; the City Council's president's \$25,000; the five borough presidents, \$22,500 each, and City Council members \$7,500 each.

The Board of Estimate, meanwhile, at its executive session today will consider proposed salary increases for

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What the CIO Expulsions Mean to the Labor Movement

By John Williamson

The unity policy of the Left Progressive forces in the CIO upset the Murray-Reuther expulsion time table. The Communist Party and its members belonging to CIO unions were the most vigorous and consistent fighters for maintaining a united CIO on the basis of its original progressive policies. They fought especially for the autonomous right of each union to determine its own policies and elect its own leadership.

For months prior to the Cleveland convention, CIO headquarters leaked out inspired stories to the press that the Left-Progressive unions were either not coming to the convention or would walk out and organize a Third Federation of Labor. They had hoped for such a stupid policy on the part of the Left Progressive unions and sought to egg it on by unprecedented cannibalistic raiding and monstrous provocations and a torrent of abuse in the CIO News. They had hoped to provoke the Left Progressive forces into a walkout so that they could shift the blame on the left for the split.

2. How Can the Splitting Policy Be Defeated?

The Left Progressive led unions answered all these provocations by:

- Consistent proposals from the UE, ILWU and others to the steel and auto unions for united wage policy and strategy. They made these proposals while fighting as best they could to win wage increases and other fourth-round demands. The ILWU strike victory in Hawaii was outstanding, resulting in a 21-cent hourly wage increase, unmatched by any other union.
- The central demand of the Left Progressive unions was the maintenance of the CIO founding policy

of autonomy for each international as a means of preserving the over-all strength of the CIO and obtaining at least minimum action on agreed-upon economic and legislative issues.

• When the steel strike broke out, the majority of the Left Progressive unions again demonstrated their understanding of the need to maintain united labor solidarity. This was done despite the fact that the steel union unilateral acceptance of the President's Fact-Finding Boards proposals weakened the wage fight of every CIO union. Ben Gold, Fur and Leather president, proposed, for example, a \$2,500,000 fund to help the steel strikers. The UE undertook the raising of a special fund for the steel and other strikers. Scores of Left-led local unions contributed much to the strikes on a local scale.

• On the eve of the CIO convention, when the provocations to force the Left to "take a walk" had reached fever heat, delegations of the attacked unions met Murray in an effort to find a solution to the problem. The UE even went so far as to narrow down its demand to a proposal that the steel and auto unions sign with UE the same no-raiding pact that UAW had

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First Soft Coal Pacts Raise Pay 95c a Day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (UP).—John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, announced tonight he had signed his first 1949-50 contract in the soft coal wage disputes. He said he signed several contracts today with soft coal companies

beginning working a three-day week last Monday.

Meanwhile, the union resumed direct negotiation in New York with the hard coal operators. The wage hike and the boost in industry payments to the welfare fund are effective Jan. 1, 1950.

Lewis did not say directly that the rest of the coal industry would be forced to accept these terms. But he did say "additional coal companies will execute the agreement as convenience permits."

Union sources estimated the companies signed up produce less than 1 percent of the nation's annual soft coal output.

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1. An increase of 15 cents per ton in industry payments to the mine workers' Welfare and Retirement Fund. Under the old contract, which expired last June 30, the industry paid 20 cents a ton on all coal mined. This will raise tonnage payments to 35 cents.

2. An increase of 95 cents a day in basic wage rates. This means mine workers covered by the contract will get at least \$15 a day.

3. Miners will continue working eight hours a day, portal to portal, and the work week remains at five days.

Lewis said the contracts will remain in effect until Sept. 1, 1951. He did not announce the names of the companies which signed up, but it was understood most of them are Kentucky independents.

In a formal statement, Lewis said the companies will begin operating on a five-day week immediately.

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UN Group Weighs 4 Plans on Holy City

By Joseph Starobin

LAKE-SUCCESS, Dec. 6.—Faced with a repeated Israel stand against internationalization of Jerusalem, the UN's special committee today approached a choice between an Australian-Soviet resolution in favor of internationalization, and three new resolutions which deal only with the holy places.

Israel's spokesman, Aubrey Eban, again rejected any international regime, but hinted that his government would accept the Swedish-Dutch proposal for a UN high commissioner for the holy places, provided that loopholes to restrict Jewish control over the new city were eliminated.

In addition to the Australian plan, supported by the USSR, the Slav states, most of the Arabs and half of the Latin Americans, there

are four other proposals before the committee.

One of these is the original conciliation commission plan, which is a phony internationalization, and was again supported today by Britain.

Then there is a Swedish-Dutch plan, which would give a UN high commissioner power to protect the holy places without affecting Israeli or Transjordan sovereignty. The high commissioner would have the power, however, to suspend Israeli and Arab laws, if he found it necessary, and could prevent each state in Jerusalem from de-

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LEDBETTER, NOTED NEGRO FOLK SINGER, DIES AT 60

Huddy (Leadbelly) Ledbetter, 60, noted Negro folksinger, died yesterday, 1:50 a.m., at Bellevue Hospital of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, the disease which killed Lou Gehrig.

Ledbetter, who was known as "king of the 12-string guitar," was discovered 15 years ago in the South by John Lomax, the folk song collector. Then followed a distinguished career of folk singing during which many of his songs, like Irene, Midnight Special, etc., became familiar to audiences all over the country.

His voice became prominent in people's struggles and movements from coast to coast; he was a member of People's Songs and People's Artists. The latter organization and many prominent citizens were planning a testimonial to him at the time of his death.

Ledbetter is survived by his wife, Martha Promise Ledbetter of New York, and his daughter, A. Mao Richardson of Kansas City, Mo. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Scorching Yesterday

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Dec. 6 (UP).—Millions in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area sweltered today in the second day of a heat wave which sent the mercury to 102 degrees yesterday, a record for the year, causing 40 reported cases of sunstroke.

Levitt Brags He'll Get U.S. \$\$\$--Keep Jimcrow

William J. Levitt, Jimcrow builder, has announced through the pages of Newsday, Long Island newspaper, that the new anti-discrimination policy in housing, outlined last week by a Presidential aid, does not affect him. Levitt made it clear that he would not be deprived of Federal Housing Administration loans since he did not place written restrictive covenants in his contracts. Like most other builders, Levitt uses so-called gentlemen's agreements to bar Negroes from his homes. A

broad anti-discrimination committee forced Levitt to remove the restrictive covenant clauses from his contracts last summer but the builder still pursues a Jimcrow policy in practice.

Under the new FHA ruling, to go into effect in 30 to 60 days, builders, landlords and other realty groups will be deprived of loans only if they have written covenants.

Actually, FHA denies loans to unsegregated housing on the ground that mixed housing "adversely" affects nearby real estate

values. The FHA this week made it plain that it will not change its "approach to valuation in any respect." A top FHA aide was quoted by the New York Herald Tribune yesterday as saying, "You can't change economics, and there is no doubt that in most cases the entrance of a Negro into a white section will adversely affect values."

In a letter to Commissioner Franklin D. Richards of the FHA, Henry Doliner, American Labor Party leader in Nassau County, asked:

"What kind of a policy can this be if the agency which is supposed to enforce it, advises future violators that they can go straight ahead discriminating as before 'but just be sure you don't put it in writing'?"

Doliner asked whether the policy is a "genuinely sincere effort on the part of the Federal government to eliminate discrimination in housing without equivocation, or it is just another maneuver to deliver a paper victory on the eve

of the Civil Rights Mobilization to convene in Washington next week?"

Doliner urged Richards to issue an order to Levitt and other builders that FHA aid will be refused whether the restrictive covenants be recorded or unwritten, and that "equal but separated (segregated) housing be construed as a violation of the regulation prohibiting discrimination."

Only such interpretation of the new housing order will give it meaning, concluded Doliner.

'THE CHURCHMAN' FLAYS MEDINA'S BIAS IN TRIAL OF '11'

Judge Medina was impatient, discourteous and "not even impartial," the Protestant journal *The Churchman* suggests in its current issue. The comment appears in a review by the Rev. John A. Maynard, rector of the Episcopal Church of St. Esprit, of the pamphlet, *Due Process in a Political Trial: The Record vs. the Press*. The pamphlet is issued by the Non-Partisan Committee for the Defense of the Communist Leaders. (The committee is located at 23 W. 26 St.)

Rev. Maynard declares:

"No one can read the 13,000 pages of the record of the trial of the 12 Communist leaders. Almost everybody agrees that even the U. S. Attorney John F. X. McGohey was not much concerned about fairness. One does not usually expect the district attorney to be fair to the incriminated party. Apparently the general impression is that the trial was ably and fairly conducted by Federal Judge Medina.

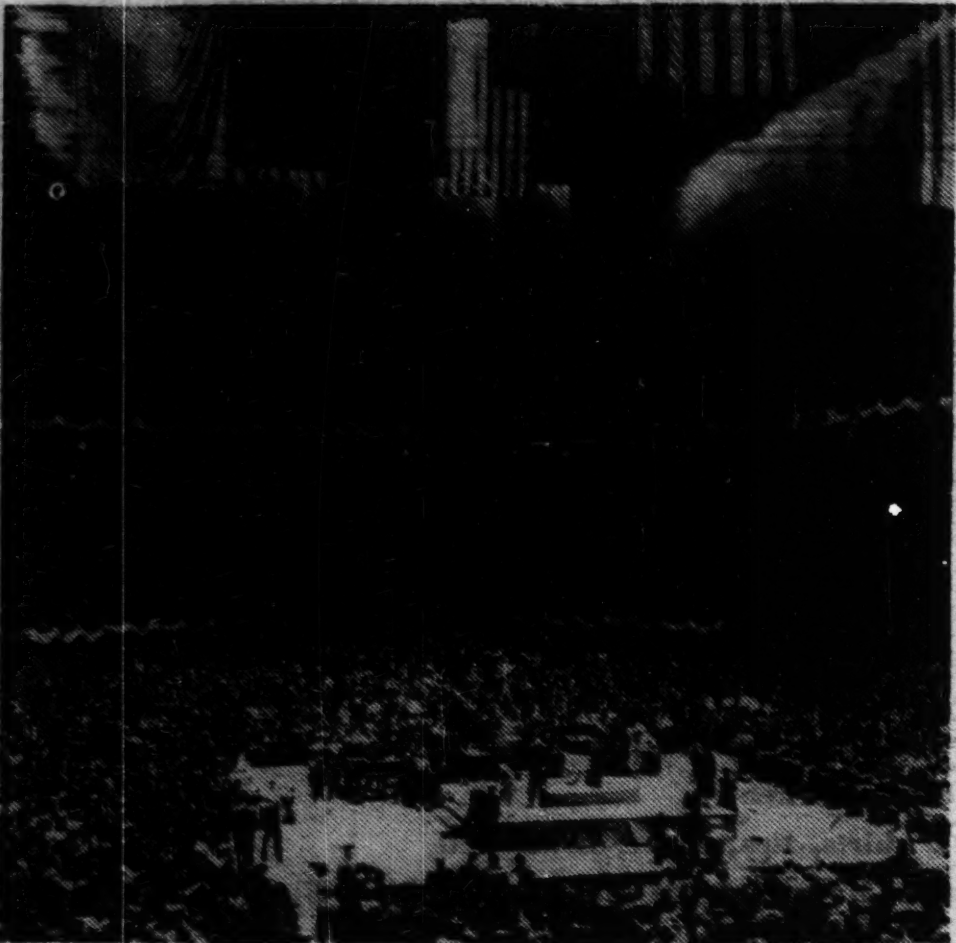
"The pamphlet here reviewed creates doubts on this point. It tends to show that the judge was impatient, not always courteous, and not even impartial. The quotations here given from the report bear this out."

The *Churchman's* review continues:

"The trial was often trying to all, no doubt, but underlying it all is the fact that American legal tradition is not adequate to the trial of opinion. The whole affair is a mistake, and an expensive one. It must evidently result in a finding that the Smith Act is unconstitutional."

As a result of the trial, Maynard declares, "refusal of bail and the treating of political prisoners as if they were common criminals is already creating a feeling among a growing number of people that danger lurks in this unfortunate affair."

'OUTLAW A-BOMB' RALLY



General view of the thousands who attended a Madison Square Garden rally Monday night to demand that the atom bomb be outlawed. Speakers included Julius Katz-Suchy, Poland's chief delegate to the UN, and Elmer Benson, chairman, Progressive Party. Daily Worker Photo by Peter

Anything Can Happen On the Long Island

BABYLON, L. I., Dec. 6 (UP).—Ever hear of a train running out of "gas?"

The Long Island Railroad's shuttle train No. 705 was ready to leave Babylon for Patchogue today with a new diesel engine pulling it.

But the engine wouldn't start. Investigation showed the fuel tanks, which registered 250 gallons, were empty.

Strike Spreads At Oak Ridge

OAK RIDGE, Tenn., Dec. 6.—A walkout swelled today to a general construction strike in this atomic city, involving more than 1,800 men.

Use of non-union labor to lay a pipeline from Harriman, Tenn., which will fire up the Oak Ridge atomic ovens with natural gas was reported the main issue.

Some 250 AFL steam-fitters, truck drivers and operating engineers started the walkout late yesterday. They were joined today by 119 pipeline layers, about 121 home builders, 120 electricians and an undetermined number of AFL painters, metal workers, roofers and iron workers.

The craft workers who walked out on one job today were employed by Hicks & Ingle, subcontractor for John A. Johnson & Sons, Inc., on construction of 500 new homes.

Workers, meanwhile, quit work on a J. A. Jones Construction Co. project at the national laboratory—the nerve-center project to the K-25 plant.

Both the AEC and its contractors appealed for Federal intervention.

John Mackle of the Atlanta office, NLRB said he would try to determine if the Taft-Hartley Law was being violated and if an injunction could be obtained.

Television Used in Surgical Training

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (UP).—Scores of doctors here watched the first inter-city color telecast today of a "blue baby" operation 44 miles away in Baltimore.

Many who "sat in" on the heart operation on 10-year-old Joncy Larrimore, of Labor's Finney, N. C., said the demonstration promised to revolutionize training techniques.

Mao Says Army to Help Rebuild China

HONG KONG, Dec. 6. — Chinese People's Republic President Mao Tse-tung told the People's Liberation Army of 4,000,000 men today the war in China is practically ended. He said the soldiers will be asked to turn their efforts to agriculture and industry.

The Communist leader said the protracted war had wrought "serious calamities to the people and serious destruction to the country's economy—we must heal the scars and embark on economic, cultural and construction work as well as guard the nation's defense."

Mao's special statement to his troops was broadcast by the official Peking radio as the Kuomintang leaders reported in headlong flight from its temporary capital of Chengtu.

Mao said the top Liberation Army generals will begin to map out the new peacetime program for the soldiers this winter and it probably will get under way in the spring of 1950.

He said the troops will work at farming, stock raising, fishing, irrigation, handicrafts, building and transport.

The state will establish "army producers cooperatives" in which 40 percent of the proceeds will be returned to the individuals, Mao said. Sixty percent will go to the state.

Mao reported that the state's revenue was not enough to meet expenses.

"This is the enormous difficulty confronting us today," he said.

Reporting the mass flight from Chengtu, the Kuomintang Central News Agency said evacuation planes "one after another" were flying to Hainan island for the second straight day.

Most of the refugees will be moved on to Formosa, the Kuomintang's last bastion, in the East China sea, it said.

Below Chengtu, People's Liberation Gen. Liu Po-cheng directed his columns in a sweeping circle south of the city to trap the last big Kuomintang force in China.

Reinforcements who raced north from Pichieh in Kweichow province joined one of the columns that captured Chungking—then turned west—at Tzekung, only 75 air miles southeast of Chengtu. From Tzekung the two columns were cutting west to the Min river valley, the easy, direct route into Chengtu.

After fleeing Chungking, Hu's



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force now is deployed south and southeast of Chengtu to slow the Liberation Army advance and give Chiang time to move his stricken government to Hainan or Formosa.

Other columns rolled unopposed into Naning (Yungning), capital of the southern Kwangsi province.

The 100,000 Kuomintang soldiers who were to have defended Kwangsi were marching down Luichow peninsula to embark for Hainan, where their general, Pai Chung-hsi already has set up new headquarters.

The Kuomintang rejected a United States protest against the shelling of American merchant vessels which try to run its blockade.

Kuomintang Foreign Minister George Yeh, who is in Hong Kong, announced the rejection verbally to American Charge d'Affaires Robert Strong.

144,095 Births in 11 Months in N. Y.

There have been more than twice as many births as deaths in New York City in the first 11 months of this year, the Department of Health made known yesterday.

Births totaled 144,095 while deaths totaled 71,534.

Polio cases in the first 11 months totaled 2,397 and polio deaths 183.

Army Seeks Law for 'Loyalty' Probe of Union Officers

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The House Un-American Committee indicated today it would seek legislation providing for FBI loyalty investigation of all officials of trade unions whose members are employed in war plants. The proposal was made by committee

EISENHOWER ROASTED BY HIS OWN STUDENTS

The Columbia Daily Spectator knocked the stuffing out of Gen. Eisenhower's "Hot dog" speech in an editorial blast yesterday. The student newspaper at Columbia College caustically declared that if university president Eisenhower's speech opposing America's demand for "security" was a "trial balloon" for a White House nomination, then "we think public reaction will soon flatten it."

Eisenhower, in his speech before the St. Andrew Society at a Waldorf-Astoria dinner last week, had contended that people want champagne and caviar "when they should have beer and hot dogs."

Reported the Spectator: "Being content with beer and hot dogs has never been part of the American tradition we know."

"We don't know, of course, but we are willing to bet beer and hot dogs weren't on the menu at the Waldorf-Astoria last Wednesday night either."

The undergraduate paper, referring to the University head as "Gen. Eisenhower, who doubles as president of this university," asserted that:

"The American people want continued security against the type of economic liberty which frustrated for so long minimum wage and hour legislation, the formation of labor unions, collective bargaining and which still denies the Federal Government the means for regulating child labor. For another thing, Americans today want security against that type of liberty exercised by state and Federal loyalty review boards."

counsel Frank Tavenner at the close of the two-day hearings on the United Electrical Workers.

Rep. Morgan Moulder (D-Mo), serving as a subcommittee of one, made no comment on Tavenner's plan.

The Un-American committee investigators failed to present any evidence of disloyalty on the part of UE officials, despite the sensational claims which had been put forward for many months as a publicity buildup for the hearing. It became clear today that through the Un-American committee, big corporations were using the UE as a stalking horse for anti-labor legislation.

Witnesses heard today consisted of Oscar S. Smith, Deputy director of personnel of the Atomic Energy Commission, and Col. Ernest A. Barlow, of Army Intelligence.

REREADS LETTER

Smith testified to an exchange of letters between David Lilienthal, AEC chairman; Charles Wil-

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

I told you yesterday that the Worker-builders of Kings Highway, Brooklyn, were setting the pace for the entire city in the subscription drive. I left out one small detail—that New York City is not the entire United States. That's a detail that New Yorkers often overlook. Facts is, best spot in the whole country for our drive at this moment is New Jersey just across the river.

I was at a conference of Jersey Worker-builders recently. When I discovered that the best W-builders in Jersey at this point in the drive are farmers, I was glad that we publish a farm page once a month and wished we could do more. Although farmers, of course, are interested in the same things that generally interest others.

Could have had a good story for you today. A Bronx taxi driver walked into our business office Monday and left money for 13 subscriptions. If that cabbie can find time to phone or visit me, I'm sure he must have an interesting story to pass on to you.

Today's POINT of ORDER

Seems that one way to get people's minds off the need to outlaw the atom-bomb is to try to outlaw the late Harry Hopkins.

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Reich Puppets Blab U.S. Plan on Army

FRANKFURT, Dec. 6.—West German puppet Chancellor Konrad Adenauer let the cat out of the bag about U. S. government plans for rebuilding the Nazi army when he admitted he was ready to see all-German units incorporated in a U. S.-controlled European army "if the Allies insist." At the same time it was revealed that the interior ministers of the 11 west German states are preparing to build a strong "police" force in military formations. Hitler used a similar plan to rebuild the German army.

These revelations have so irked the top U. S. brass, who have been trying to keep their German rearmament plans secret that they have called a special meeting for Thursday with Adenauer in an effort to cover up.

The German press, unimpressed by the loud denials of U. S. officials, today denounced the United States for trying to revive German militarism with a "cannon fodder" army of "mercenaries" for an attack against the Soviet Union. But Frankfurt, Stuttgart and Ham-

burg newspapers declared, nobody has asked the German people if they want an army. The papers said the German people were overwhelmingly opposed to rearmament.

The plan of the interior ministers for building the "police" force calls for:

- Establishment of 11 "strong" police forces in the west German states.
- The setting up of a rotation system under which at any given time 10 percent of the state policemen would be assigned to a barracks for "special training."
- Arming the police units with small arms sufficient to meet "any requirements" which might arise.
- Starting training courses on "tactical" police problems.

Bars Trial for Cop Who Beat Negro

Despite eight witnesses who took the stand to testify to the beating without cause of Charles Rivers, 24-year-old Negro, by Patrolman John Smith on Oct. 31, Judge Silver in Bronx Magistrate Court yesterday denied the motion that would bring the cop to trial on a charge of felonious assault. As a result of the beating, Rivers spent close to two weeks in Bellevue Hospital with a fractured skull. The beating took place in front of 828 Dawson St. in the Bronx.

The attorney for the Bronx Civil Rights Congress, Julian C. Turpin,

asked that the judge disqualify himself on grounds of obvious prejudice. The motion was denied and hearing proceeded.

The first witness, Mrs. Lucille Burns, neighbors of Rivers, testified to seeing Patrolman Smith hit Rivers, pull out his gun and push it into River's stomach. Then she saw Smith remove a penknife from Rivers pocket, then hit him and knocked him to the ground with his club.

One by one the witnesses corroborated the testimony of Mrs. Burns. Supplying testimony for the cop were two brothers, Samuel and Solomon Lesko.

During the hearing, Judge Silver said that an officer is allowed "leeway" and that a case between an officer and a civilian could not be compared to a case between two civilians. An officer is allowed to use necessary force, he said. He further said he didn't blame the cop for what he had done.

The Bronx Civil Rights Congress will demand that the grand jury indict the patrolman in the testimony of the court hearing.

Vishinsky On Way Home

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky wished the American people good luck and a happy new year yesterday in a farewell statement which found the UN General Assembly's work "unsatisfactory."

When questioned by UN correspondents aboard the SS America as he left a few days before the Assembly is to close, Vishinsky said: "I must declare that the Soviet delegation considers the results of the UN session unsatisfactory. This is so because the Assembly refused to support the Soviet resolution condemning preparations of a new war and calling for the strengthening of peace. Thus the cause of peace has been dealt a serious blow, besides the General Assembly has adopted a number of decisions which contradict the principles of the UN Charter and that contradict the basic tasks which the UN faces, namely, the strengthening of peace and ensuring the security of peoples."

"Insofar as the USSR is concerned, the USSR has, as is known, fought for peace, continues to fight for peace, and will also in the future fight for peace with all its strength and energy."

"Upon leaving the United States, I wish the American people good luck and a happy new year."

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Anti-Deportation Parley Elects Thomas Mann Honorary Head

Dr. Thomas Mann and Rt. Rev. Arthur W. Moulton were elected honorary co-chairmen of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born at the National Conference Against Deportation Hysteria, held in Detroit over the weekend, it was announced yesterday by Abner Green, executive secretary of the Committee.

Vice-chairmen elected by the conference were: Rev. Stephen H. Fritchman, of Los Angeles; Hugh DeLacy, of Cleveland; Douglas Hall, of Minneapolis; Pearl Hart, of Chicago; George B. Murphy,

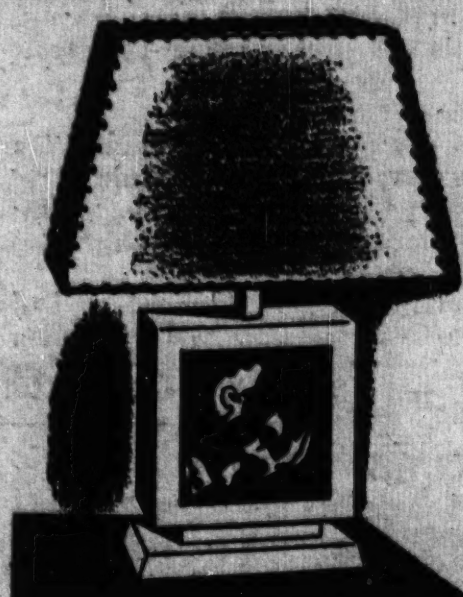
Jr., and Stanley Nowak. Rev. John W. Darr, Jr. was elected chairman of the board.

Trade unions represented included locals of the CIO United Automobile Workers; CIO Fur and Leather Workers; CIO United Packinghouse Workers; CIO United Office and Professional Workers; CIO United Public Workers; CIO International Woodworkers; AFL Painters; AFL Hotel & Restaurant Employees; CIO Longshoremens and Warehousemen Union; and AFL Bakers Union.

Reception For Sacher Sunday

The reception this Sunday evening for Harry Sacher, one of the defense attorneys for the Communist Party leaders in the recent Foley Square trial, will be the opening gun in a nationwide campaign to organize support behind the five courageous lawyers who were cited for contempt by Judge Medina. The reception takes place 8:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Manhattan Towers Hotel, Broadway and 76 St.

Numerous trade unions, many of whom Sacher represented as counsel, are actively supporting the affair.



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Harlem Church To Install New 40-Bell Carillon

The second largest set of church bells in the city will ring from St. Martin's Protestant Episcopal Church, 122 St. and Lenox Ave., next week as Bishop Charles K. Gilbert of the Diocese of New York dedicates the church's new forty-bell carillon recently shipped from the Netherlands.

The bells, second only in number to the famed 72-bell carillon of Rockefeller's Riverside Church, were presented to St. Martin's on Dec. 4 by a group of twenty-three individuals and organizations who raised \$11,500 of the required \$30,000. The remainder of the money is expected to be raised through small contributions.

The dedication will take place on Dec. 18, the Sunday before Christmas. Kamiel Lefevere, carillonneur of the Riverside Church, will be at the clavier.

'THE CHURCHMAN' FLAYS MEDINA'S BIAS IN TRIAL OF '11'

Judge Medina was impatient, discourteous and "not even impartial," the Protestant journal *The Churchman* suggests in its current issue. The comment appears in a review by the Rev. John A. Maynard, rector of the Episcopal Church of St. Espris, of the pamphlet, *Due Process in a Political Trial: The Record vs. the Press*. The pamphlet is issued by the Non-Partisan Committee for the Defense of the Communist Leaders. (The committee is located at 23 W. 26 St.)

Rev. Maynard declares:

"No one can read the 13,000 pages of the record of the trial of the 12 Communist leaders. Almost everybody agrees that even the U. S. Attorney John F. X. McGohey was not much concerned about fairness. One does not usually expect the district attorney to be fair to the incriminated party. Apparently the general impression is that the trial was ably and fairly conducted by Federal Judge Medina.

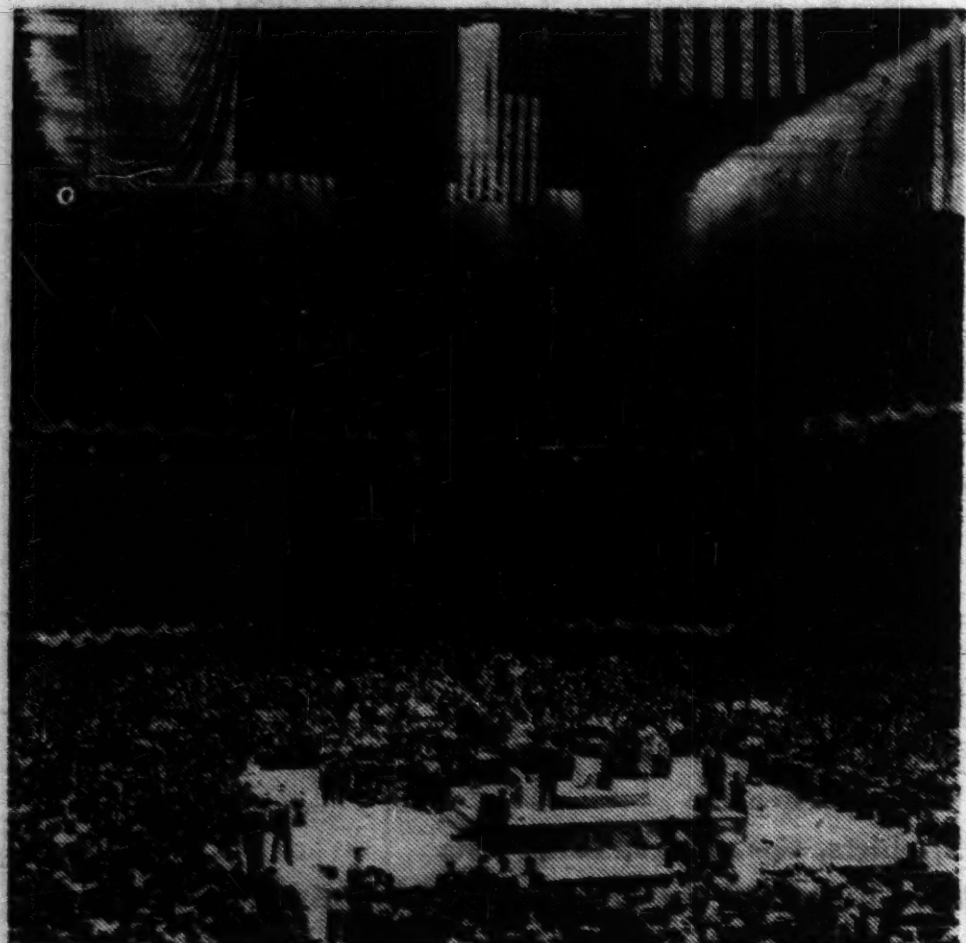
"The pamphlet here reviewed creates doubts on this point. It tends to show that the judge was impatient, not always courteous, and not even impartial. The quotations here given from the report bear this out."

The *Churchman's* review continues:

"The trial was often trying to all, no doubt, but underlying it all is the fact that American legal tradition is not adequate to the trial of opinion. The whole affair is a mistake, and an expensive one. It must evidently result in a finding that the Smith Act is unconstitutional."

As a result of the trial, Maynard declares, "refusal of bail and the treating of political prisoners as if they were common criminals is already creating a feeling among a growing number of people that danger lurks in this unfortunate affair."

'OUTLAW A-BOMB' RALLY



General view of the thousands who attended a Madison Square Garden rally Monday night to demand that the atom bomb be outlawed. Speakers included Julius Katz-Suchy, Poland's chief delegate to the UN, and Elmer Benson, chairman, Progressive Party. Daily Worker Photo by Peter

Army Seeks Law for 'Loyalty' Probe of Union Officers

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The House Un-American Committee indicated today it would seek legislation providing for FBI loyalty investigation of all officials of trade unions whose members are employed in war plants. The proposal was made by committee

EISENHOWER ROASTED BY HIS OWN STUDENTS

The Columbia Daily Spectator knocked the stuffing out of Gen. Eisenhower's "Hot dog" speech in an editorial blast yesterday. The student newspaper at Columbia College caustically declared that if university president Eisenhower's speech opposing America's demand for "security" was a "trial balloon" for a White House nomination, then "we think public reaction will soon flatten it."

Eisenhower, in his speech before the St. Andrew Society at a Waldorf-Astoria dinner last week, had contended that people want champagne and caviar "when they should have beer and hot dogs."

Reported the Spectator:

"Being content with beer and hot dogs has never been part of the American tradition we know."

"We don't know, of course, but we are willing to bet beer and hot dogs weren't on the menu at the Waldorf-Astoria last Wednesday night either."

The undergraduate paper, referring to the University head as "Gen. Eisenhower, who doubles as president of this university," asserted that:

"The American people want continued security against the type of economic liberty which frustrated for so long minimum wage and hour legislation, the formation of labor unions, collective bargaining and which still denies the Federal Government the means for regulating child labor. For another thing, Americans today want security against that type of liberty exercised by state and Federal loyalty review boards."

Anything Can Happen On the Long Island

BABYLON, L. I., Dec. 6 (UP).—Ever hear of a train running out of "gas?"

The Long Island Railroad's shuttle train No. 705 was ready to leave Babylon for Patchogue today with a new diesel engine pulling it.

But the engine wouldn't start. Investigation showed the fuel tanks, which registered 250 gallons, were empty.

Strike Spreads At Oak Ridge

OAK RIDGE, Tenn., Dec. 6.—A walkout swelled today to a general construction strike in this atomic city, involving more than 1,800 men.

Use of non-union labor to lay a pipeline from Harriman, Tenn., which will fire up the Oak Ridge atomic ovens with natural gas was reported the main issue.

Some 250 AFL steam-fitters, truck drivers and operating engineers started the walkout late yesterday. They were joined today by 119 pipeline layers, about 121 home builders, 120 electricians and an undetermined number of AFL painters, metal workers, rockers and iron workers.

The craft workers who walked out on one job today were employed by Hicks & Ingle, subcontractor for John A. Johnson & Sons, Inc., on construction of 500 new homes.

Workers, meanwhile, quit work on a J. A. Jones Construction Co. project at the national laboratory—the nerve-center project to the K-25 plant.

Both the AEC and its contractors appealed for Federal intervention.

John Mackle of the Atlanta office, NLRB said he would try to determine if the Taft-Hartley Law was being violated and if an injunction could be obtained.

Television Used in Surgical Training

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (UP).—Scores of doctors here watched the first inter-city color telecast today of a "blue baby" operation 44 miles away in Baltimore.

Many who "sat in" on the heart operation on 10-year-old Jonny Larrimore, of Labor's Finest, N. C., said the demonstration promised to revolutionize training techniques.

Mao Says Army to Help Rebuild China

HONG KONG, Dec. 6. — Chinese People's Republic President Mao Tse-tung told the People's Liberation Army of 4,000,000 men today the war in China is practically ended.

He said the soldiers will be asked to turn their efforts to agriculture and industry.

The Communist leader said the protracted war had wrought "serious calamities to the people and serious destruction to the country's economy—we must heal the scars and embark on economic, cultural and construction work as well as guard the nation's defense."

Mao's special statement to his troops was broadcast by the official Peking radio as the Kuomintang leaders reported in headlong flight from its temporary capital of Chengtu.

Mao said the top Liberation Army generals will begin to map out the new peacetime program for the soldiers this winter and it probably will get under way in the spring of 1950.

He said the troops will work at farming, stock raising, fishing, irrigation, handicrafts, building and transport.

The state will establish "army producers cooperatives" in which 40 percent of the proceeds will be returned to the individuals, Mao said. Sixty percent will go to the state.

Mao reported that the state's revenue was not enough to meet expenses.

"This is the enormous difficulty confronting us today," he said.

Reporting the mass flight from Chengtu, the Kuomintang Central News Agency said evacuation planes "one after another" were flying to Hainan island for the second straight day.

Most of the refugees will be moved on to Formosa, the Kuomintang's last bastion, in the East China sea, it said.

Below Chengtu, People's Liberation Gen. Liu Po-cheng directed his columns in a sweeping circle south of the city to trap the last big Kuomintang force in China.

Reinforcements who raced north from Pichieh in Kweichow province joined one of the columns that captured Chungking—then turned west—at Tzekung, only 75 air miles southeast of Chengtu. From Tzekung the two columns were cutting west to the Min river valley, the easy, direct route into Chengtu.

After fleeing Chungking, Hu's



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force now is deployed south and southeast of Chengtu to slow the Liberation Army advance and give Chiang time to move his stricken government to Hainan or Formosa.

Other columns rolled unopposed into Naning (Yungning), capital of the southern Kwangsi province.

The 100,000 Kuomintang soldiers who were to have defended Kwangsi were marching down Luichow peninsula to embark for Hainan, where their general, Pai Chung-hsi already has set up new headquarters.

The Kuomintang rejected a United States protest against the shelling of American merchant vessels which try to run its blockade.

Kuomintang Foreign Minister George Yeh, who is in Hong Kong, announced the rejection verbally to American Charge d'Affaires Robert Strong.

144,095 Births in 11 Months in N. Y.

There have been more than twice as many births as deaths in New York City in the first 11 months of this year, the Department of Health made known yesterday.

Births totaled 144,095 while deaths totaled 71,534.

Polio cases in the first 11 months totaled 2,397 and polio deaths 183.

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

I told you yesterday that the Worker-builders of Kings Highway, Brooklyn, were setting the pace for the entire city in the subscription drive. I left out one small detail—that New York City is not the entire United States. That's a detail that New Yorkers often overlook. Facts is, best spot in the whole country for our drive at this moment is New Jersey just across the river.

I was at a conference of Jersey Worker-builders recently. When I discovered that the best W-builders in Jersey at this point in the drive are farmers, I was glad that we publish a farm page once a month and wished we could do more. Although farmers, of course, are interested in the same things that generally interest others. . . .

Could have had a good story for you today. A Bronx taxi driver walked into our business office Monday and left money for 13 subscriptions. If that cabbie can find time to phone or visit me, I'm sure he must have an interesting story to pass on to you.

Today's POINT of ORDER

Seems that one way to get people's minds off the need to outlaw the atom bomb is to try to outlaw the late Harry Hopkins.

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Auto Profits Fail to Cheer 300,000 Laid Off

By William Allan

DETROIT, Dec. 6.—Press headlines, "Auto Plants End Layoffs," were read last week by some 300,000 auto workers out of work. But when they read further down the story, the much-heralded "back to work" orders were for only 21,000 workers in Michigan. This was an obvious attempt to head off mounting anger at increasing layoffs while auto corporations rolled up some \$600,000,000 in profits for the first nine months of 1949.

Not revealed by the headline is the fact that Ford, with 115,000 employees, is going to work 13 days in December and will possibly shut down completely in January. Foremen in the Ford plants are being told, "You can

have just as nice a vacation in January as any other time."

At Chrysler some workers will be called back with the perspective that by the end of January again the working force will be down to a hard core of some 30 percent of the 87,000 workers.

In General Motors, many of the shops are still going through with "inventory."

CHECK-UP

A check revealed:

Cadillac, with some 7,000 is only recalling several hundred; Oldsmobile will call back a few hundreds, they say, with maybe the bulk of workers returning some time in December; Chevrolet will start rolling Monday, but the "main manufacturing force will not

return in 13 plants till Dec. 12." Fisher Body plants around the country will work in accordance with resumption of work in GM assembly plants.

Only one-third of Fisher's 70,000 workers are all that's been recalled. Out of a working force of 33,000 at Briggs plants, 14,000 are reported being called back, but so far many of them have not received telegrams.

Hudson workers, who, the press claims, "worked uninterruptedly," have scarcely worked a full week in the last year. A year ago 23,000 were working, now it's down to 12,000 on short work weeks.

Kaiser-Frazier, which employed 14,000 a year ago, is operating with a handful of maintenance and

tool and die workers, with at least 12,000 still idle.

It is learned that auto production nationally in the last several weeks is the lowest in almost two years.

Auto leaders in many of the shops who know what goes on inside the plants say that with great piles of cars in showrooms, storage lots (estimate 1,000,000 cars and trucks) and little or no change in 1950 models, what can be expected is six to eight weeks of work to get out the new models and then "down she goes."

A quick round of dealers showed many of them admitting they are ordering considerably fewer of the

1950 models. On the 1949 Buick Supers and Roadmasters you can get a \$500 discount. The 1949 model in the middle price field can be gotten for \$800 to \$1,000 less than the marked-up price.

On Ford Mercury jobs you can get a \$350 discount on purchase. On Hudson, Nash, Kaiser-Frazier 1949 models, if you have the cash, you can get hundreds of dollars discount. Used cars for trade-ins are getting double the price of six months ago, if it's going on a 1949 model.

This is the true story of the so-called "end of layoffs," some 22,000 here going back out of 307,000 idle here in Michigan.

Appeals Court Delays Ruling on Ober Law

By Mel Fiske

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 6.—The Maryland Court of Appeals today heard three state pleas to defer a decision on the constitutionality of the Ober thought-control law. The surprise pleas were attacked by Ober Law opponents whose test case had been upheld by Judge Joseph Sherbow last August. Attorney I. Duke Avnet, representing 10 members of the Citizens Committee Against the Ober Law, said the appeals by Maryland Attorney General Hall Hammond and Frank Ober for deferred decision was a trick to "influence the referendum" in 1950.

Hammond and Ober urged the Appeals Court to withhold a ruling on the constitutionality of the Ober Law but asked them to reverse Sherbow's decision which declared the law an unconstitutional infringement on freedom of speech and the press. Ober appealed to the court not to allow Sherbow's decision to stand before the scheduled 1950 referendum on the act.

The last minute pleas came after five hours of argumentation before the Appeals Court on the state's motion to overrule Sherbow's decision. At least two of the six Appeals Court judges made it clear that they would consider such an out. Judge Charles Martell said a logical middle ground for the court would be to decide not to determine cases in which the major question was the waste of taxpayers' money.

The Citizen's Committee, while not making a major issue of the wasteful use of taxpayers' money in their test case, had broached that question to the court.

Hammond made another tricky attempt to avoid a clearcut determination of the Ober Law's constitutionality when he opened his ar-

gument. He told the court that the 10 members of the Citizen's Committee didn't have proper grounds on which to make their test. Several months ago in arguing before Sherbow, Hammond did not raise this question.

CITE MEDINA

The state based many of its arguments seeking to uphold the Ober Law on the Judge Harold Medina's charge to the jury in the trial of the 11 Communist leaders in Foley Square, New York. The state's brief contained Medina's entire charge.

Much of the argument dealt with the specific definitions of "subversive" and "foreign subversive" organizations set forth in the Ober Law. Attorneys for the 10 citizens argued that the definitions were vague and very indefinite and a dragnet to catch all people with views which differed with those held by the Ober Commission.

In an unprecedented action, Ober was allowed to argue for the state. He insisted that his law did not violate the constitution but was merely an extension of state power for self preservation. He kept repeating that he would explain exactly how the first amendments of the constitution were not violated. But he never got around to it.

At least 16 organizations filed briefs as friends of the court in support of Judge Sherbow's decision. Court clerks estimated that this was the largest number of briefs filed in any case in recent Maryland Appeals Court history.

Rally in Hague Fights Dutch Imperialism

THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS, Dec. 6.—Crowds demonstrated outside Parliament today as a three-day debate opened against the pact shackling Indonesia to Dutch imperialism. The pact proposes a "United States of Indonesia" under which Dutch economic control is assured.



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Dr. Thomas Mann and Rt. Rev. Arthur W. Moulton were elected honorary co-chairmen of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born at the National Conference Against Deportation Hysteria, held in Detroit over the weekend, it was announced yesterday by Abner Green, executive secretary of the Committee.

Vice-chairmen elected by the conference were: Rev. Stephen H.

Fritchman, of Los Angeles; Hugh DeLacy, of Cleveland; Douglas Hall, of Minneapolis; Pearl Hart, of Chicago; George B. Murphy, Jr., of New York; and Stanley Nowak, of Detroit.

Rev. John W. Darr, Jr., of New York, was elected chairman of the board of directors.

Trade unions represented included locals of the CIO United Automobile Workers; CIO Fur and Leather Workers; CIO United Packinghouse Workers; CIO United Office and Professional Workers; CIO United Public Workers; CIO International Woodworkers; AFL Painters; AFL Hotel & Restaurant Employees; CIO Longshoremen and Warehousemen Union; and AFL Bakers Union.

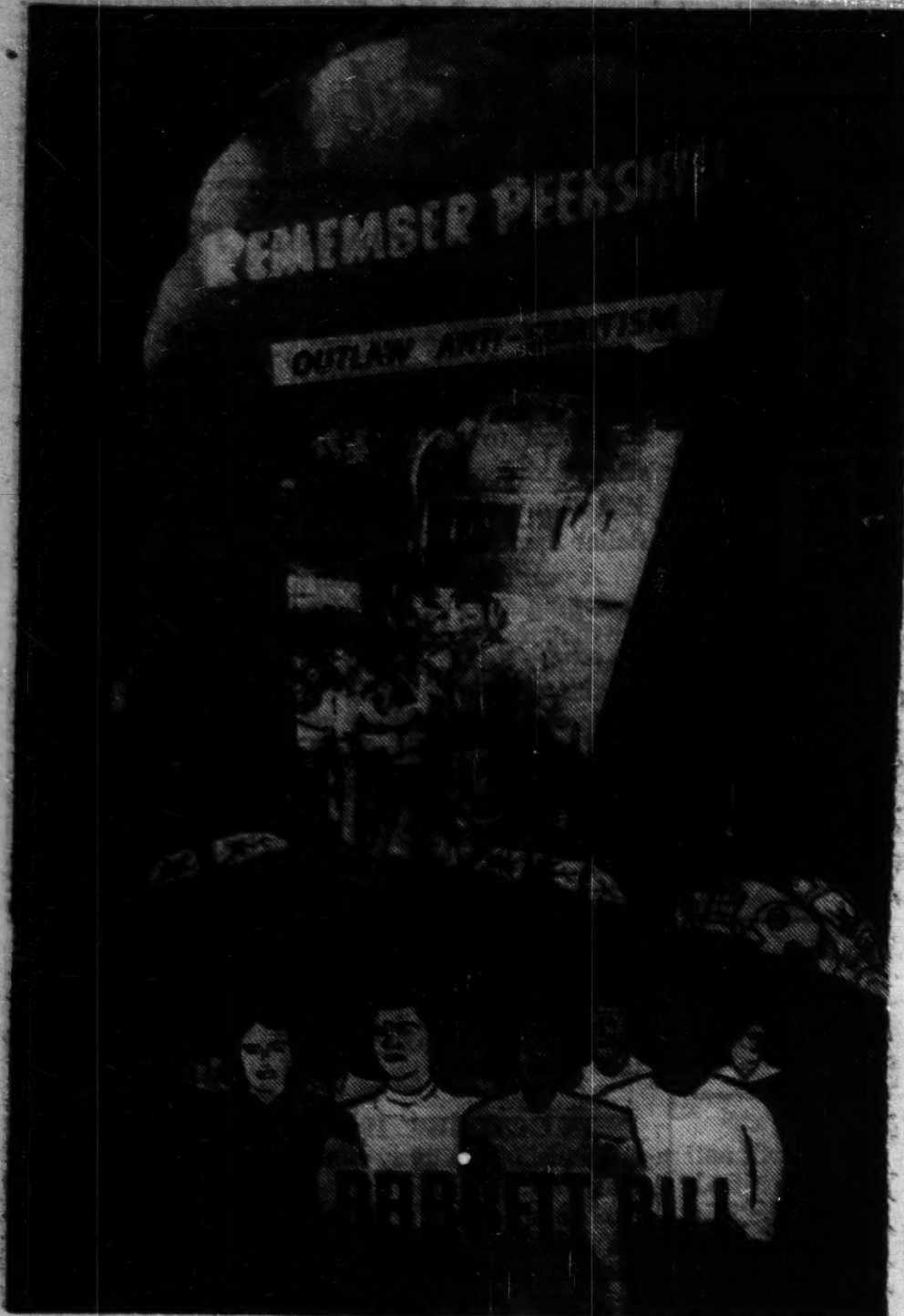
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BAZAAR OPENS TOMORROW



Among the many displays on show at the Greater New York Jewish Labor Bazaar will be the above float demanding the passage of the Barrett bill to outlaw the spreading of anti-Semitic and anti-Negro materials. The float, designed and executed by Don Amter, will be on exhibit from Dec. 8 to Dec. 12 at St. Nicholas Arena.

The five-day annual Bazaar will open tomorrow (Thursday) and continue through next Monday, Dec. 12. Tomorrow and Friday, the bazaar's hours will be 6 p.m. to midnight. On Saturday the hours will be 12 noon to midnight, and on Sunday 6 p.m. to midnight. Proceeds will be devoted to combatting anti-Semitism and discrimination.

One half million dollars worth of merchandise will be offered for sale at St. Nicholas Arena. The merchandise was prepared by trade unions.

Among the items will be men's clothing, furniture, furs, shoes; women's clothing, precious jewelry, household utensils, electrical appliances, radios, television sets and a large quantity of holiday gifts.

NOTABLES BACK 11 COUNSEL

Messages of support have been pouring in for the five defense lawyers cited for contempt following their defense of the 11 Communist Party leaders. Response to the appeal initiated by Judge Norval K. Harris and Paul Robeson, co-chairmen of the National Non-Partisan Committee to Defend the Rights of the 12 Communist Leaders, and Dr. Linus Pauling, of Pasadena, Cal., has been swift and widespread, according to Harold Christoffel, the Committee's executive director.

Among the signers are:

Dr. Linus Pauling, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif.; Dr. Russel Ames, Queens College, New York; Earl B. Dickerson, attorney, Chicago; Olin Downes, music critic of New York Times; Father Clarence Duffy, Society of Saint Dymphna, New York; Hugh Hardyman, American Civil Liberties Union, La Graciosa, Calif.; John Kandl, Bakers & Confectionery Workers, Local 1, AFL, adn Florence H. Luscomb, ACLU, Cambridge, Mass.

Also, Larkin Marshall, Progressive Party, Macon, Ga.; W. F. McCabe, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Division 700, East Pittsburgh, Pa.; Thomas F. Ogilvie, attorney and publisher of the Jersey Times, Atlantic City; Father Clarence Parker, Chicago; William Pennock, president, Washington Pension Union, Seattle; Mrs. Theresa Lee Robinson, director, Women's Division of the Elks Civil Liberties Committee, Washington; Richard J. Ryan, Jr., executive committee of Newark Typographical Union, Local 103; Mrs. An-

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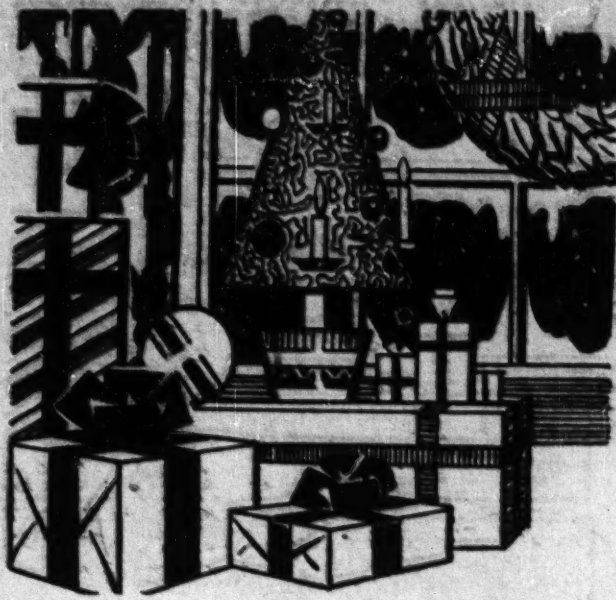
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Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

Peril to Israel's Independence

IT LOOKS as though the UN General Assembly is not adopting any project which takes the New City of Jerusalem away from Israel. The emphasis now, as the Assembly staggers to its finish, is on some kind of resolution dealing with the Holy Places. In other words, the status quo, with respect to sovereignty, remains. The much agitated question of the sacred shrines (most of which, by the way, are in the Old City, held by Transjordan) is being dealt with separately.



On this subject, I would withhold judgment until the Swedish-Dutch resolution is examined and debated a bit. Nobody would disagree with UN supervision of the Holy Places, provided it didn't become something quite unholy, that is, provided the imperialist powers are not given still another foothold under the guise of protecting the relics that mean so much to all religious faiths.

WHATEVER the UN decides, the danger to Israel's independence as a nation is a real one. Those of us who supported the rights of the new state to sovereignty over the New City are bound to be worried about two aspects of Israeli policy: the attitude of its present leaders toward economic development, which involves political and diplomatic policy, too; and the problem of Israel-Arab relations.

Taking the second issue first, it is certainly true that the Israeli leaders haven't made the most of the Nov. 29, 1947, resolution which was so vital for the emergence of the new state. That resolution provided for an independent Arab state in the former Palestine territory, as well as eventual economic union between the two states.

Instead of understanding the deep and historic implications of both provisions, from the point of view of Israel's own self defense and economic future, the Israeli leaders have done nothing to implement them. I am not speaking for the moment of how the Arab minority inside Israel is treated; but would it not be much wiser, from Israel's own viewpoint, to have an Arab neighbor other than the Emir Abdullah, who is simply a weapon of Britain?

There could have been, and there could still be a democratic state of Arabs in the predominantly Arab part of Palestine. It would be a buffer for Israel against Abdullah. It would be a bridge to the Arab world. And it could be an economic partner of some consequence.

Moshe Sharett and David Ben-Gurion think it smart to carry on separate negotiations with Transjordan as a counterfoil to their perils in the UN; but the fundamental and long-term interest of Israel is bound up with democratic developments in the Arab world, and Israel could help itself by stimulating such developments.

In this sense, the Soviet insistence on the old November, 1947, partition plan makes long-range sense. As readers know, this column favors keeping the New City in Israeli hands; but if there were to be any internationalization for Jerusalem, the Soviet plan was the only genuine one. And Israel has everything to gain from the key idea of this plan—a democratic Arab state.

AS FOR ECONOMIC policy, Israel is relying almost entirely on foreign capital investment. Her economy depends on Britain's purchase of her citrus crop and on the West generally. While Sharett describes his diplomacy as "non-identification" with East or West, the fact remains that the way Israel is being rebuilt, places her more and more in the western bloc. Foreign monopolies, like the oil refineries, have not been nationalized. There is little control over imports. The internal economic emphasis is on light industry, such as textiles, or hotel building and commerce, instead of the heavy industry that could make Israel an independent force in the Near East.

There would be no objection to foreign loans with proper safeguards, but a policy of relying on these, almost exclusively from the United States, instead of a long-range program of seeking economic assistance from the East as well as from friendly sources in the West—when combined with the growth of an unbalanced structure at home—is leading to crisis.

The present leaders of the country seem determined to repeat all of the policies that have ruined the West, including the Jews of the West, instead of using the sovereignty, which all democrats will defend, to strike out a different path. And therein lies serious danger.

VIRGIL

By Len Kleis



Letters from Readers

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New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

A broad Christmas committee has been formed by progressive organizations and individuals of Harlem to help alleviate some of the hardships heaped on the Negro people in that Jimcrow ghetto. This Christmas season finds thousands of Harlemites forced on relief. Thousands more are faced with the necessity of seeking relief due to growing unemployment and discrimination against the Negro people in job getting. As we know, Mayor O'Dwyer and his Commissioner of Welfare Hilliard have also ordered a decrease in the already inadequate allowances of those forced on relief.

We all realize that just baskets

of food, clothes and toys will not solve the basic problems and an organized fight must be put up against the exploitation of the people. Yet at this holiday season we feel that whatever little we have we all want to share. The Civil Rights Congress' Thanksgiving Dinner was a beginning and we are sure many people will want to continue this spirit into Christmas. So the Christmas Committee would appreciate contributions of food, clothes, toys, money—whatever you have to give.

Start your Christmas now by sending your contributions to the Harlem Civil Rights Congress, Monte Norris, 92 Morningside Avenue, New York City.

PROGRESSIVE CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE OF HARLEM

Press Roundup

THE TIMES trots out the stale old excuse for opposing civil rights legislation. It explains that it opposes a bill to ban federal aid for Jimcrow housing developments because "federal law cannot in a day break down long-established attitudes and customs. We cannot compel people to be neighbors if some of them don't wish to. The great task is one of education, not of compulsion." Adjoining this not-so-subtle defense of white supremacy, a Times editorial describes the one country where race equality is established by law as "totalitarian."

THE HERALD TRIBUNE claims "the intransigence of Czechoslovakia's present rulers leaves the Church no alternatives but total submission or war." The "more than two-thirds of the Czechoslovak people" who, the Trib notes are Catholic, happen to support their democratic government.

THE COMPASS' T. O. Thackrey declares that, though the Klan "has grown at an alarming rate" in the past few months, no federal grand jury or Congressional committee has been asked to consider evidence against it.

THE MIRROR isn't satisfied that the State Department White Paper on China told "all." It's waiting till Chiang Kai-shek "writes his memories." The Mirror, in other words, thinks there's fun in Peking.

THE NEWS shows there's a bleeding heart under that brassy exterior. Sobbing piteously, it tells how "moneyed people's nerve is sapped these days" by "crushing and unscientific taxes." Next week: Clark Rockefeller and Greer Morgan. Together again in "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse."

THE POST falls flat on its face trying to be anti-fascist and anti-Soviet in the same editorial. First it criticizes those who attack the late Harry Hopkins and our wartime alliance with the Soviet Union, then it echoes their line with: "The Soviet tyranny is cynical and ruthless."

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM says the Progressive Party is doing something very sinister and Soviet-ish by urging the outlawry of the atom bomb, recognition of the new China, trade with eastern Europe and a ban on a German army. R.F.

World of Labor

By George Morris

What Transport Union Vote Really Means

THE MOST significant result of the elections of New York's Transport Workers Union, Local 100, is the vote of 4,693—28 percent of the total—that went to the rank and file anti-Quill Unity slate candidate for president. Quill's man received 12,140 votes, according to the count by the Honest Ballot Association.

A year ago, when Quill's forces, demagogically exploiting a 24-cent hourly raise, moved to establish dictatorial control over the local, his opponents wouldn't have drawn near anything like the 1949 vote. The vote reveals that a great part of the membership has become disillusioned with Quill's policies.

Instead of issuing foolish statements boasting of victory, as though anyone seriously expected a change of leadership to come out of this election, Quill and associates ought to explain a question that undoubtedly bothers many members.



IN OCTOBER, 1948, when the TWU was in the midst of a bitterly-contested referendum ballot, Gus Faber, the then secretary-treasurer and Quill henchman, announced that the vote was 29,985 for his side to 1,600 for the opposition headed by former president Austin Hogan. The issue then was whether national officers should be elected by a referendum ballot.

At that time, Quill's opponents charged the balloting was fraudulent and, seeking court action to invalidate the vote, proved how thousands of ballots were mailed from a postal station where few of the TWU's members live, and that by coincidence there wasn't an opposition vote among them. It was further shown that more ballots were cast than good-standing members in the local. That was just about the time the local won a qualified checkoff which, even when complete and consolidated, would not have yielded more than the claimed membership.

More than a year has passed. Quill is fully in the national office saddle and, presumably, from every standpoint, the situation should favor his forces. But this time, with an Honest Ballot Association count, 28 percent of the voters opposed Quill's gang. If the 1948 vote was honest, then Quill's people suffered a big loss. If it wasn't then it is time Quill's people make a clean breast of it.

On the other hand, the campaign was at least as tense this year as last. The Quill forces were most anxious to wipe out the minority on the executive board. But only a little over half of last year's vote turned out, if we take Faber's figures of last year as true. What happened? Has the membership of Local 100 dropped that much? Or were Faber's figures and vote of last year false?

THE TRUTH, as it appears now, is somewhere between both of these possibilities. Unquestionably, a great many members on the check-off list were voted for in the mailed balloting by persons other than themselves. On the other hand, the 1,600 ballots mailed in by opponents of Quill were about the actual vote. Quill's people couldn't touch them.

That is why the three-fold rise in the anti-Quill vote is the real barometer of TWU sentiment. This must be further measured in the light of the following:

- It came in the face of shameless redbaiting by the Quill forces although they must be well aware that many on the opposition slate cannot even remotely be called Communists.
- It came immediately after the CIO convention and the hysterical campaign of war on the left, with Quill playing a prominent role as Gypsy Nolan, the informer.
- It came as the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists boasts of new victories in its drive to control the CIO.
- It came among these predominantly Irish-Catholic workers close on the heels of a series of Papal pronouncements in support of the dominant rightwing and red-baiting forces in the trade unions.
- It came, finally, after the workers themselves began to see the bankruptcy of a policy that ties their wages and job security to a tie-up of union officers with politicians in City Hall.

COMING: Cannon Fodder? Youth Says No! . . . in the weekend Worker

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Pearl Harbor and Atom Hoaxes

FIRST IT WAS Whittaker Chamber's pumpkin. Now it is "some dark gray powder wrapped in suitcases tied with rope." Such is the latest invention of the hate-Russia hopheads who have discovered that no lie is too crude for the newspapers to feature madly on their front pages, provided the lie is about the Soviet Union and "the Communists in Roosevelt's administration."

What does it matter that the Air Force Major Jordan's "charges" have fallen apart like over-ripe garbage? What does it matter that this Major never saw Harry Hopkins, that he never had a single solitary fact except that America was in a war alliance with the Soviet Union and that Harry Hopkins was carrying out America's policy of lend-lease to the defenders of Stalingrad?

All that matters is that the American public must be made to forget, amid a storm of newspaper headlines:

That exactly eight years after the Pearl Harbor disaster of Dec. 7, 1941, the pro-fascists who opened America to attack by their pro-Axis policies are now opening us up to new attack by re-arming Nazi German armies and re-building the power of the Hirohito militarists in Tokyo.

That the cold war mob refuses to outlaw atomic warfare, thus opening up the U. S. A. to the horrors of atomic war.

That the recent chairman of the House Un-American Committee, J. Parnell Thomas, has just admitted to being a crook stealing money from the U. S. A. while yapping about the "menace of Communism."

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THIS Fulton Lewis-Un-American Committee mob is that America should have helped Hitler and Tojo to "wipe out communism."

These pro-war, pro-Nazi fanatics are now loose again in the highest circles, on the radio and in the press. Their aim is to brand all efforts for peace, and for the outlawing of atomic warfare as "un-American." They are spitting on the sacred memory of our war dead. They are defiling the memory of President Roosevelt for his decision to save the U. S. A. from Axis invasion by assisting our Soviet ally to crush Hitler's 250 divisions in the Eastern front. They seek to dishonor Henry Wallace because he urges an American-Soviet peace settlement.

Their smear will rebound in their own faces. Their forgeries will only spur the people to ask: "Why don't we outlaw atomic war and destroy all atom bombs to rid our nation of the nightmare of atomic destruction?" The investigation that is really needed is a deep probe of the pro-war swindle which is pushing America down the fatal path of a bigger Munich and the peril of another war. Smoke out the war plotters!

The Rights of Defense

THE APPEAL OF THE LAWYERS of the Communist 11 for time to prepare their own defense has been granted, at least partially. Their appeal hearing has been postponed to Feb. 6. They will then argue against the outrageous jail sentences slapped on them by Judge Medina for daring to challenge the political basis of the indictment.

The government failed earlier to sustain its view that no Constitutional issue was involved in the denial of bail. Yesterday, the prosecutors were unable to keep out of the judicial argument the fact that the so-called "contempt" of the defense lawyers really involved deep-going issues affecting the legal rights of all Americans.

According to Judge Medina, the "contempt conspiracy" of the defense lawyers arose from their challenge of the Constitutionality of the Smith Act and the jury system. That still remains to be decided on Feb. 6. The defenders of the Bill of Rights have gained a short respite. They should make use of it to tell millions of Americans what is at stake.

And incidentally, the coming Dec. 11 reception (Manhattan Towers Hotel) in honor of defense lawyer Harry Sachse, is an excellent place for Americans who are sore at the Judge Medina-style of justice to join with these courageous defenders of democracy. This labor lawyer is helping hold the fort of democratic liberty for all of us.

REMEMBER?



As We See It

Undermining the Right To Defense Counsel

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON.



POLITICAL TRIALS, throughout the history of capitalism and feudalism, may differ on the surface, but they have one thing in common. Always, it is the new progressive political philosophy which is placed in the dock as defendant. But invariably it is the old reactionary ruling clique and its corrupt system which is actually on trial.

This is what gives the prosecution its particularly savage and unscrupulous character. This is the reason behind the collusion between judge, prosecutor and often the jury, which in other kinds of cases would be denounced in press and pulpit as defiance of the oldest judicial canons. This is the reason, in short, why political trials are frameups.

The attack on the defendants inevitably expands to an attack on their attorneys, and all who speak up in their defense. Sir Thomas Erskine, who defended Tom Paine against the British Crown's charge of seditious libel was held guilty of contempt. Attorneys for Peter Zenger, the New York printer charged in 1734 with sedition, were disbarred for defending freedom of the press.

In the second trial, in which the jury gave a verdict of not guilty, the judge cited Zenger's attorney, Andrew Hamilton, for contempt. Understandably, however, he decided against enforcing punishment when a cheering throng of spectators, on hearing the verdict, hoisted Zenger and Hamilton to their shoulders and marched triumphantly from the courtroom.

THE FOLEY SQUARE trial had hardly begun when the old, old pattern of political trials began to assert itself. The 11 and their attorneys were completely identified as a single entity, not only by "Prosecutor McGohey but also by Judge Medina, and their mouthpiece, the ineffable Russell Porter of the New York Times. Political frameups have a logic of their own and the jail sentences of the five defense attorneys was, one might say, predictable from the start.

The story which the government sought to get across to the American people was crude but essentially simple. It required in the first place that the public must not be permitted a glimpse of the real character of the 11

as courageous, serious exponents of a profound political philosophy holding promise of a better world. They must be presented as the opposite—cheap, conniving little materialists trying to subvert our democracy. In other words, the tactic of the government was to provide the caricature of a Communist which the Hearst - McCormick - Petterson press has made familiar.

With this objective guiding the prosecution, the government could not permit the attorneys to present a serious and sober defense which went to the root of the issue. It dared not allow the lawyers to appear in their real roles as responsible defenders of basic American freedoms. The lawyers, like the defendants, must also be pictured as cheap and disruptive troublemakers, with their own subversive axes to grind.

I RECALL that in one instance Prosecutor McGohey made a statement calculated to stigmatize the lawyers as profane and blasphemous, a description which Russell Porter lost no time in spreading on the pages of his paper. But more important were the incessant heckling, badgering provocations by Judge Medina. The most elementary step in defending the rights of the 11 (which is to say, the rights of the people) became in the eyes of Medina, McGohey and Porter the most flagrant instance of "contempt."

So, in the end, Judge Medina's citation of the lawyers reads like a page from the indictment of the 11.

They were charged with a "deliberate and willful attack upon the administration of justice; an attempt to sabotage the functioning of the federal judicial system."

If the jail sentences of the lawyers are permitted to stand, it will be a dark day for America. The attacks of reaction on all progressive political philosophies are more and more utilizing "legal" weapons, the courts and semi-judicial adminis-

trative hearings, thereby underlying the urgent need for courageous and militant defense counsel.

It is before these bodies that trade unions, under Taft-Hartley, must fight for their rights. Progressives must challenge deportation orders. Organizations and their leaders must battle against congressional tyranny which frequently culminates in a court trial for contempt. Militant unionists like Harry Bridges must contest repeated frameups.

THE GOVERNMENT'S drive to straitjacket lawyers, if successful, will inevitably result in diminishing the number of those available for the defense of human rights. Many lawyers will be intimidated and will decline to participate in such cases. The others, who are willing and eager to fight, will be extremely busy with their own affairs, serving jail sentences; defending themselves or their colleagues against jail sentences, fighting disbarment proceedings, or be unable to function because they have already been disbarred.

Here it is relevant to note that when Judge George Harris in San Francisco recently handed down a six months sentence to Vincent Hallinan, attorney for Bridges, he also disbarred him from practicing in the Federal District Court.

Often as a cub reporter covering courts in Alabama, I saw Negro defendants unable to get attorneys to defend them, especially when the charge involved a fancied affront to "white supremacy." In those cases, it is customary for the judge to appoint a reluctant attorney who goes through the motions of defending his client with so little interest that he actually helps convict him.

If the reactionary drive to penalize lawyers defending progressives reaches its logical outcome, this is the sort of "defense" progressives will get in court. The right to be represented by counsel will be a highly academic and meaningless matter.

Foster Calls Marion Book Vivid, Valuable

(The following comment on George Marion's book, *The Communist Trial: An American Crossroads* is made by the National chairman of the Communist Party coincident with the issuance of a mass edition of the book, popularly priced at 50 cents. Copies of the mass edition are available through New Century Publishers, Wholesale Book Co. and from organizations.)

By William Z. Foster

The Communist Trial: An American Crossroads by George Marion is an extremely valuable book. In a vivid way it shows the frame-up, stoolpigeon system in operation, and makes clear how and why the prosecution ensured a "guilty" verdict.

Marion, by exposing the frame-up character of the trial, the prosecution's use of stoolpigeons and police informers as its witnesses, helps the reader to understand the trial of the American Communist leaders as part of the whole pattern of ruling class frameups against labor and its leaders.

Because of the book's compelling style, it makes it difficult for the reader to put it aside until he has finished reading it.

The frame-up at Foley Square is in the ignoble tradition of the frame-ups of the Scottsboro boys and the Trenton Six; of Bill Haywood, of Tom Mooney, McNamara, of Sacco-Vanzetti and other militant leaders and spokesmen for the American workers. Marion's book, by citing the record of the trial, the conduct of the judge and the background and testimony of the prosecution's stoolpigeon witnesses, demonstrates the anti-labor, anti-democratic nature of the Foley Square heresy hunt.

The Communist Trial is a book which should be placed in the hands of every worker. A wide distribution of the new, low-priced edition will help to dispel the fog of lies and distortions about Foley Square which have been spread by the newspapers and radio. Here is an extremely effective weapon that every person should put into the hands of his fellow trade unionist, neighbors and friends.



FOSTER

Ross Asks O'D Call Parley to Save Water

Mayor O'Dwyer was urged yesterday by the New York Tenant Council to call an emergency conference of all government and community forces to map "immediate and effective plans" in an "all-out water conservation campaign." Paul Ross, chairman of the Council, announced he would mobilize the full resources of the tenant organization to meet the crisis, and offered to staff apartment houses with water conservation captains to push conservation, advise tenants and report on faulty plumbing.

The Mayor was urged to invite to the parley representatives of the city's Water Supply, Housing and Building Sanitation, Education and Health Departments; the New York Real Estate Board; large industrial users of water; and representatives of the press, radio, theater and advertising professions.

Ross proposed consideration of the following steps:

- Organization of a Civilian



PAUL ROSS

Water Conservation House Captain system.

- Posting of circulars in each apartment house with tenants signing a pledge to conserve at least 25 percent of normal water use.
- Newspaper advertisements, billboard signs, theater announcements, radio spot broadcasts.
- Increase in inspectorial staff of the Housing and Buildings and Water Supply agencies.

"We respectfully urge," Ross said "that a state of water emergency be declared now, rather than when it is too late, and that the whole resources of our great city be thrown into the effort."

B'klyn Group Asks Increase in Relief

The executive committee of the Brooklyn Consumers and Tenants Council has wired Mayor O'Dwyer and Welfare Commissioner Raymond Hilliard to demand increases, not cuts, in relief allowances.

WHAT CIO EXPULSION MEANS TO LABOR

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already concluded with the independent International Association of Machinists.

COMMUNISTS' ROLE

The Communists played a consistently prominent role in this struggle for a united CIO and for the maintenance of the autonomous democratic rights of international unions. Ben Gold, among others, spoke out boldly and clearly. The hysteria and provocations against the Communist Party became so blatant that this writer, on behalf of the Communist Party, addressed an Open Letter to Philip Murray, reiterating our historic and present policy for labor unity and a united CIO.

Despite the provocative campaign, every so-called left union was on hand for the CIO convention. They did not walk out but stayed and slugged it out on each and every issue—the one major weakness being that they did not bring forward boldly the wage policy and the record of the gains they had won.

TARGET UE

It was clear from the beginning that the Murray-Reuther forces had decided to center their main fire against the UE. They had resolved ahead of time to go so far as to expel the union if Carey was unable to win the UE convention.

Nevertheless, it would have strengthened the fight of all the unions under attack, and especially the crucial fight for the UE membership itself, if the UE delegation had stayed throughout the convention and fought every inch of the way on the convention floor. It would have buttressed the fight for the UE members against the Carey-Kelley splitters and enabled even the less experienced workers to see that the responsibility for the splits lies with Murray, Reuther and Carey.

Certainly all the other unions being brought to trial before rigged right-wing committees will utilize even these hearings to fight against the expulsions. In this way they will again show the six million CIO members, as well as the members of their own unions, that

they stand for the unity of the CIO on the basis of its founding program and the right to autonomy for all affiliates.

The threatened decimation of CIO through a policy of expulsions should arouse a storm of protest from CIO members and local union leaders in other international unions, especially in auto, steel, textile and rubber. Despite all the efforts to squelch them, such protests are already beginning to arise.

PROTESTS STARTING

Now is the time for the members of a union such as the United Packinghouse Workers to understand where the policy of some of their timid leaders is taking them, and to call a halt to it. These leaders first agreed to "go along" with CIO policies to avoid being raided, although allegedly disagreeing with many of those policies. But now this first step has led to the second one in which some of the national officers "accept" CIO instructions to raid left unions. The fighting membership of this union will never easily agree to such a course.

If the unions now facing trial are also expelled, they will doubtless unite their forces—as they should—for their mutual protection. They will do this to help consolidate their ranks, defend the economic and political interests of their members, strengthen their ranks by organizing the unorganized, continue leading the way in fighting for the interests of the Negro workers, strengthen the rank and file character of these unions and raise high the banner of united labor action.

NO NEW FEDERATION

These unions and their members will not pursue a policy of building a new left wing labor federation. This is shown by their present course. And our Party's influence, insofar as we are able, will be exerted against building a left-wing federation. The immediate task is to win and unite every local union and every member to support their union, its leadership and the fighting program indicated above.

This struggle to defeat the attacks of reaction and its helpers inside the labor movement requires the active participation of the Communists, the left and all progressives in all other CIO unions, especially steel, auto, NMU, textile, rubber, etc. It requires as well a similar struggle in the AFL unions (especially the building and needle trades, longshore and teamsters) and the great independent unions, the United Mine Workers, IAM and the Railroad Brotherhoods.

While the one million workers in the CIO unions with Left-Progressive leadership are a decisive force for influencing all other workers, it must never be forgotten that the great millions of organized unionists are in the above-named unions. There also is where the majority of Communist Party members belong.

The victory of the splitters need not be a permanent one. The danger which it represents to all workers can be minimized by a correct policy. That means avoiding isolation and boldly applying the united front tactic, learning how

to strengthen the position of the Communist Party in the shops and local unions, giving leadership to the workers in all unions in order to make new advances and consolidate gains already won.

The events taking place in the National Maritime Union, in the UAW, and even in the steel union (where over 40 locals called for rejection of the Fact Finding Board proposals) reveal the growing sentiments among the workers.

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Maryland Communists Top Fund Goal

The Maryland-DC district of the Communist Party went over the top in the Defense Fund Drive and has, in addition, sent in a considerable sum of money to the national office of the party, it was announced yesterday.

After reading the appeal for funds by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn in the Daily Worker of Oct. 17, the district was among the first to wire its pledge of \$1,500. "Soon after this," Miss Flynn relates, she received a communication that the district had upped its pledge to \$2,000 and was also preparing to send an equal sum to the party's national office. From Maryland came the sum of \$1,342, and Washington, D. C., the sum of \$2,750, making for a total of \$4,092. The \$2,000 pledge was sent to the Defense Fund, and the remainder, \$2,092, was forwarded to the national office of the Party. An additional \$500 was sent to the party's national office, Dec. 5.

Miss Flynn said, "The people of this district have thus shown how much they are fed up with the 'loyalty oath' and 'Ober bill' mentality in their area."

William Benton Named Senator

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 5. (UP).—Former assistant secretary of state William Benton was appointed to the U. S. Senate.

The appointment, announced by Gov. Bowles, his former advertising agency partner, was to replace Raymond E. Baldwin.

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"mistake," and not by any conspiratorial methods.

"The very fact that I let them (the technical documents-MG) go through shows how dumb I was," he explained when reporters wanted to know why he waited so long to get suspicious. "If I had known there was anything illegal, I would have grounded the planes."

But Lewis, sitting by Jordan's side throughout the conference with a sickly, embarrassed smile on his face, sweating profusely and constantly shrugging his shoulders in a gesture of hopelessness whenever Jordan got tangled up, denied he had anything to do with the implications.

"I got a tip that a major by the name of Jordan had been in charge of the pipeline on lend-lease to the Russians," he explained. "I don't think anyone would deny it was a story worth printing."

He insisted he was simply doing a reporter's job, and refused to "editorialize" when the newspapermen pressed him on the implications of Jordan's anti-climactic "revelations."

"Do you think we should not have cooperated with the Russians by supplying them with all available information and material to beat back the Germans at the time?" one reporter asked him.

"Well, my view on the Russians at the time was different from that of most people, and I would say No," was the extent of Lewis' commitment.

Later, Lewis commented privately to this reporter that he had immediately turned over the information and notes given him by Jordan to the FBI, and had simply let Jordan tell his story, without implications from him.

When I told Jordan over the phone after the press conference that my impression was that Lewis was placing on him the onus of the implications of the events reported by Jordan, the ex-major replied that Lewis was "sore" because people were ascribing "political motives" to the revelations. Jordan insisted he was just a poor "expediter" who knew nothing of the politics involved, and that Lewis was the man who "saw what it all meant."

In earlier accounts before the Un-American Activities Committee and on the air, Jordan had rung in the name of Harry Hopkins, Roosevelt's assistant, as the man who gave him orders over the phone to send the material through without obstruction. He had told of a note in one of the suitcases written by H. H., addressed to "Mikoyan," a Soviet leader, saying he, presumably Hopkins, had had a "hell of time" getting some of the material from Lt. Gen. Leslie Grove, who headed the wartime atomic bomb project.

Yesterday, Jordan shied away from all questions concerning Hopkins. For it had developed in the meantime, that Hopkins was sick in the hospital through all this period. Moreover, for Hopkins to have sent a note to Mikoyan in an old suitcase filled with miscellaneous technical publications was a little too thick, especially if it really had anything to do with secret stuff.

Jordan had talked earlier about uranium materials shipped to the Russians and inspected by him. At yesterday's conference, he also shied away from this. For it had since developed that there was nothing in the least secret or illegitimate about this material, and that the amounts sent were far too little to have had anything to do with atomic bombs. The uranium materials are used in various industrial processes.

Only when Jordan was backed into a corner on the reason why he

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thought there was anything illegitimate about the lend-lease material he had inspected did he drag in the uranium.

"All I know is that uranium was shipped out and the Russians have the atom bomb," he burst out in explaining his sudden awakening. **LEWIS INSTIGATED IT**

Later, in a phone conversation with this reporter, he said it was Lewis, not he, who had thought his notes concerning shipments of uranium materials were sensational stuff.

At one stage, Jordan slipped and said something about speaking to a Col. Lewis about "trying to block the Russians generally."

"Did you say 'block'? I thought you're job was to expedite material to the Russians," a reporter said.

It was at this point that Jordan, trying to cover up by blurring cut he had "blocked" the Russians from slipping out with radar equipment by ripping out this equipment from four American planes transferred to the Russians with radar equipment in them.

A fifth plane, piloted by Maj. Gen. Belyaev, chief of the Russian Purchasing Mission in Washington, flew from Washington to Moscow without stopping at Great Falls. This was the way the Russians got radar, Jordan explained, and the U. S. then released its "secret" to them.

At the press conference, he tried to give the impression that the radar equipment had been given to the Russians illegitimately by some one high in military or government service. In phone conversation later, he said the Russians had simply been given the five planes for transfer, and the radar equipment had not been removed as a result of a "mistake."

"That's why we gave it to them a year before we intended," he explained over the phone to me. He quickly added, "if we intended to give it to them at all, which I don't know."

NOTICED RADAR

He said he had never seen radar equipment before the planes intended for the Russians landed on his field, and he noticed the "strange gadgets in front." He immediately called a security officer, a Col. C. H. Gitzinger, at Wright Field, Dayton, O., and described the "gadgets."

"Good God, have they got radar?" Col. Gitzinger reportedly explained. "Rip it out." And so he went out and ripped out the "gadgets" without protests from the Russians who were standing by. Later it developed, he never saw the "gadgets" themselves, but had them described to him by "mechanics," and passed on the descriptions to the colonel at Wright Field.

He was vague about how he had learned about Maj. Gen. Belyaev's flight from Washington since that plane did not stop at his base. Without ever having seen the plane, he described how it junked its load on the grass at the runway in Washington so as to be able to get to Moscow faster. He said he had to pick up the discarded load, but did not explain how he got to Washington from Montana to do this.

Army Seeks

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son, president of General Electrical, and Albert Fitzgerald, president of UE. Although the letters were made public by UE more than a year ago, Smith read excerpts of them into the record.

The burden of the exchange was that Lilienthal had instructed GE to refuse to recognize the UE in the Knolls Atomic Laboratory. Smith said AEC was not "satisfied" with the loyalty of UE officers after the House Un-American Committee and the Hartley committee of the House had published "information" about them. He admitted that the UE had filed suit in Federal Court to restrain Lilienthal and Wilson from carrying through this discriminatory policy, and that the suit was still pending. Smith omitted to mention that the national CIO had joined

Jerusalem

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claring the city as its capital. He would have a limited UN guard, and would be responsible for "progressive demilitarization" of the city as soon as permanent peace was made between Israel and Transjordan. He would also set up a court of consuls, in which the United States, Poland, and the USSR would be included.

Israel is known to oppose any emergency powers for such a commissioner, and prefers no ban on its right to make Jerusalem its capital some day.

In addition to this plan, Cuba and Bolivia have submitted modifications, which entirely abandon any reference to the original Nov. 1947 partition, and would write statutes of their own for Jerusalem.

It is felt here that the Australian-Soviet proposal can probably get a simple majority in the committee, but not two thirds for passage in the plenary session. It remains to be seen whether the Swedish-Dutch resolution would have a two-thirds majority in the plenary session. There is still a prospect that no resolution at all will be adopted.

On the other hand, strong feeling in the Catholic countries, especially of Latin America, whose delegates are sharply split between the two plans, makes it likely that some kind of holy places set-up will be voted.

Meanwhile, in the political committee, the Kuomintang saved its sorry face by getting a resolution condemning alleged Soviet violations of its treaty with China shifted to the interim committee for "study." T. F. Tsiang, the Kuomintang hanger-on here jumped at this move last week when it seemed his resolution was headed for defeat.

The US-backed proposal, urging obedience to "general principles" in the Far East, but eliminating the bar to recognition of the people's government, was certain to pass.

The Slav states have abstained throughout the debate.

Andrei Galagan, of the Soviet Ukraine, reaffirmed the Soviet stand for internationalization, and opposed the Swedish-Dutch plan for the holy places on the grounds that it sanctioned Transjordan's occupation of that part of Palestine which should have become an Arab state. Galagan also rebuked a Cuban aspersion this morning questioning Soviet interest in the holy places since it was, said the Cuban, an "atheist" state. The Ukrainian stressed that his constitution provides full religious freedom for both believers and non-believers.

Will Ask Coffee Price Control

The Brooklyn Consumer and Tenants Council yesterday urged a boycott of coffee by its 30,000 members. Mrs. Wildred Wickson, grievance chairman of the Council, announced her group would ask for price control of coffee and other items hit by artificial shortages.

the UE in seeking the restraining order.

A union official here told newsmen that the extension of President Truman's loyalty order into private plants engaged in war orders had already begun. The most active union members, especially shop stewards, have frequently been subjected to "loyalty" probes, he said. This, he added, has helped the employer by intimidating union members and sometimes demoralizing locals.

"Their plan now," he declared, "is to extend the scope of these witchhunts to the officers of unions hundreds of miles away from the plant in question. If the trade unions permit this, we will have a nice, respectable labor front like that of Robert Ley in Hitler Germany."

COUNCIL UNIT OK's PAY RISE

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24 city department heads and for O'Dwyer's aides at a total annual cost of \$73,100.

The American Labor Party led by Arthur Schutzer, executive secretary, held a picket line demonstration at City Hall yesterday opposing the pay grab and demanding that the city rescind the relief cut order. Schutzer announced that a citywide protest rally will be held Jan. 10, before the Welfare Department, 902 Broadway, against the callous relief cuts.

A local law will be submitted on the Council floor as amended and will lay over for a week in the finance committee. The earliest the City Council can act on it is next Thursday unless it gets a message of necessity from Mayor O'Dwyer.

The Board of Estimate is scheduled to meet this Thursday for the last time before the end of the year. It will have to set a special meeting before Jan. 1, 1950, in order to give final approval to the amended law.

DEPT HEAD HIKE

The Board of Estimate, at its session today, will consider raises in the salary of Deputy Mayor; to bring it from \$17,500 to \$23,000; corporation counsel John P. McGrath from \$17,500 to \$25,000; and Commissioner of Park Robert Moses from \$15,000 to \$25,000.

Reliable reports have it that Commissioner William Reid of the Board of Transportation will become deputy mayor on Jan. 1, 1950 to succeed John J. Bennett who will become presiding judge of the Court of Special Sessions. The board will also act on a pay increase of from \$16,000 to \$18,000 for this judicial position.

Other proposed increases were: William J. Donaghy, executive secretary to Mayor O'Dwyer, from \$15,000 to \$17,500; Louis Cohen, assistant to the Mayor, from \$14,000 to \$15,000; Miss Caryl Holley, secretary to O'Dwyer, from \$6,500 to \$8,000; Mrs. Hilda Schwartz, secretary of the Board of Estimate, from \$10,000 to \$12,500; William Ellard, director of Real Estate Bureau, from \$12,500 to \$15,000; Ralph L. Van Name, secretary of the city's retirement system; from \$11,000 to \$12,500.

Also, city treasurer Spencer Young from \$12,500 to \$15,000; William Boyland, president of the tax commission, from \$13,500 to \$15,000; Edward P. McCaffrey, License Commissioner, from \$12,500 to \$15,000; John Splain, Commissioner of Purchases, \$12,500 to \$15,000; first assistant corporation counsel Charles Preusse, \$14,000 to \$17,500; Bernard J. Cilroy,

Commissioner of Housing and Building, from \$12,500 to \$15,000; Albert Williams, Commissioner of Correction, from \$12,500 to \$15,000.

Also, Stephen J. Carney, Commissioner of Water, Gas and Electricity, from \$12,500 to \$15,000; Anthony Mascharella, Commissioner of Markets, from \$12,500 to \$15,000; William J. Powell, Commissioner of Sanitation, from \$12,500 to \$15,000; and the borough works commissioners of Brooklyn, Bronx, Queens and Manhattan to \$12,500 to \$15,000 each.

Powell, who is expected to resign Jan. 1, will receive his pension on the increased salary.

Honor Educators for Feinberg Law Fight

Five educators, whose independent lawsuit challenging the Feinberg Law helped achieve last week's State Supreme Court decision holding the measure unconstitutional, will be honored at a reception today (Wednesday) tendered by the Citizens Committee Against the Feinberg Law, at the Hotel Commodore. The affair will take place from 4 to 6 p.m. in the South Room.

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WJZ-Breakfast Club
WCBS-This Is New York
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
9:15-WJZ-Norman Brokenshire
WOR-Martin Miller
9:30-WOR-Food-Alfred W. McCann
WQXR-Piano Personalities
9:45-WJZ-The Stars Sing
WCBS-Missus Goes A-Shopping
WQXR-Composers' Varieties
10:00-WJZ-Welcome Travelers
WOR-Henry Gladstone
WJZ-My True Story
WCBS-Bing Crosby Show
WQXR-Morning Melodies
10:15-WOR-Martha Deane Program
WCBS-Arthur Godfrey Show
10:30-WJZ-Marriage for Two
WJZ-Betty Crocker Magazine
WNYC-Health Talk
10:45-WJZ-Dorothy Dix
WJZ-Victor H. Lindlahr
11:00-WOR-News
WJZ-Modern Romances
WQXR-News, Anna Lettinger
WCBS-We Love and Learn
WNYC-Headlines in Chemistry
11:15-WJZ-Dave Carroway Show
WOR-Tello Test
11:30-WJZ-Jack Bercz
WOR-The Menious
WJZ-Buddy Rogers
WCBS-Grand Slam
WQXR-Along the Danube
11:45-WJZ-Lora Lawton
WCBS-Rosemary
WQXR-Luncheon Concert

AFTERNOON

12:00-WJZ-News Roundup
WJZ-Kate Smith
WJZ-Houseparty
WCBS-Wendy Warren
WQXR-News, Luncheon Concert
WNYC-Midday Symphony
12:15-WJZ-Norman Brokenshire
WCBS-Aunt Jenny
12:30-WJZ-Helen Trent
WOR-News Reports
WJZ-News, Herb Sheldon
12:45-WJZ-Our Gai Sunday
WOR-Luncheon at Sardi's
1:00-WJZ-Mary Margaret McBride
WCBS-Big Sister
WJZ-Baukhage
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig Program
WCBS-Ma Perkins-Sketch
1:30-WJZ-Young Dr. Malone-Sketch
WOR-Hollywood Theatre
1:45-WJZ-The Guiding Light-Sketch
WNYC-Weather Report: News
2:00-WJZ-Double or Nothing
WJZ-Breakfast in Hollywood
WOR-Second Honeymoon
WNYC-Famous New Yorkers
WCBS-Second Mrs. Burice
WQXR-News, Record Reviews
2:15-WJZ-Perry Mason
2:30-WJZ-Today's Children
WOR-Queen for a Day
WJZ-Bride and Groom
WCBS-Nora Drake
WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
2:45-WJZ-Light of the World-Sketch
WCBS-The Brighter Day
WQXR-Musical Memory Game
3:00-WJZ-Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR-The Answer Man
WJZ-Talk Your Way Out
WCBS-David Harum
WQXR-News, Symphonic Matinee
3:15-WJZ-Road of Life
WCBS-Hilltop House
3:30-WJZ-Penny Young
WCBS-Gary Moore Show
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WOR-Happiness Exchange
3:45-WJZ-Right to Happiness
4:00-WJZ-Backstage Wife
WOR-Barbara Welles
WJZ-Galen Drake
WQXR-News, Records
4:15-WJZ-Stella Dallas
4:30-WJZ-Lorenzo Jones
WOR-France Charming Show
WJZ-Melody Fromme
WCBS-Treasury Band
4:45-WJZ-Young Widder Brown
WJZ-Pat Barnes
5:00-WJZ-When a Girl Marries
WOR-B-Bar, B-Ranch
WJZ-Challenge at Yukon
WCBS-Galen Drake
WNYC-Sunset Serenade
WQXR-News, Today in Music
5:15-WJZ-Portia Faces Life
WQXR-Record Review

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

PM
6:00-National Orchestral Association Rehearsal. WNYC.
9:00-Groucho Marx show. WCBS.
9:30-Bing Crosby show. WCBS.
10:30-On Trial. WJZ.

TV

7:45-Easy Aces (Premiere). WABD.
9:00-Television Theatre. WNET.
9:00-Author Meets the Critic. WJZ.

9:30-WJZ-Just Plain Bill
WOR-Tom Mix, Sketch
WJZ-Jack Armstrong
WCBS-Hits and Misses, Quiz
WQXR-Cocktail Time
5:45-WJZ-Front-Page Farrell

EVENING

6:00-WOR-Lyle Van
WJZ-News
WCBS-Eric Sevareid
WQXR-Music to Remember
6:15-WJZ-Sports
WOR-On the Century
WJZ-Alan Prescott
WCBS-Small Business
6:30-WJZ-Wayne Howell Show
WOR-News
6:45-WJZ-Three Star Extra
WOR-Stan Lomax
WJZ-Johnny Thompson Show
WCBS-Lowell Thomas
7:00-WJZ-Frank Sinatra Songs
WOR-Fulton Lewis, Jr.
WCBS-Beulah Show
WJZ-Headline Edition
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
WQXR-News, Keyboard Artists
7:15-WJZ-News of the World
WOR-Answer Man
WJZ-Elmer Davis
WQXR-On Stage
7:30-WJZ-Guy Lombardo
WOR-Gabriel Heatter
WCBS-Club 15-Variety
WJZ-Lone Ranger
WQXR-Jaques Fray
7:45-WOR-I Love a Mystery
WCBS-Edward Murrow, News
8:00-WJZ-This Is Your Life
WOR-Can You Top This
WJZ-Dr. I. Q. Quiz
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WQXR-News, Symphony Hall
8:30-WJZ-The Great Gildersleeve
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WCBS-Dr. Christian
WNYC-Lecture for the Laity
WJZ-Sherlock Holmes
9:00-WJZ-Break the Bank
WCBS-You Bet Your Life
WOR-Hollywood Theatre
WJZ-Boris Karloff, Play
9:30-WJZ-Mr. District Attorney
WJZ-Buzz Adams Show
WOR-Family Theatre
WCBS-Bing Crosby Show
WQXR-Let's Celebrate
10:00-WJZ-Biz Story-Sketch
WJZ-Lawrence Walk Show
WOR-Van Horn, Comment
WCBS-Burns and Allen Show
WQXR-Opera Preview
10:30-WJZ-Curtain Time
WCBS-Lum and Abner
WQXR-Melodies of Old Vienna
WOR-The Symphonette
WJZ-On Trial

Around the Dial, Bob Lauter's column on radio, appears every day in the Daily Worker.

Around the Dial:

FM on National Downgrade; No Basketball for Teevee

By Bob Lauter

IF ANYONE still clings to the illusion that the public interest, rather than the bankroll, is still the first consideration in broadcasting or televising, developments in both radio and TV should end that illusion. The idea of private ownership of facilities which, in effect, control that "public domain" of the airwaves, is incompatible with public interest.

The most important indication of this is the history of FM broadcasting. FM has been on the downgrade for a number of years. Many stations have cancelled their FM broadcasting. Latest of these is Kansas Station KMBC which had used FM operations for six years.

There has never been a concerted and serious attempt to build FM. Yet the difference between FM and AM broadcasting is the difference between a modern automobile and a Stanley Steamer. Here, on a grand scale, is another example of the suppression of some technological advances which takes place under the domination of monopoly capital.

FM's tone, quality, fidelity and "naturalness" are infinitely superior

to AM. Yet it seems that nothing is going to be done to make FM available to the American radio audience. The monopoly investment in AM is not to be disturbed!

IN TELEVISION audiences are getting a rooking of a different sort. Many thousands of people bought television sets on the basis of the sports programs—boxing, basketball, baseball and other televised sports. The sports fans who bought sets, however, are discovering that with each passing month fewer important sports activities are televised. Reason? The conflict—real or imagined—between a free television audience and a paying gate. It would be nice to enable a large new audience to see outstanding sports events—so long as it doesn't interfere with the box office take.

This season you may see a few college basketball games televised. But that's all. Last year, television set owners had the chance to see the country's best teams in action, both pro and college.

Now there's talk that much of the baseball televising will be curtailed. This is unquestionably more than a rumor. Teams which

had a poor gate last year will cut out television. Teams which did well will probably go along with TV for another season.

Art Note

Roko Gallery announces an exhibition of 21 oils, landscapes, figure compositions and portraits by Fay Gold today through Dec. 14. This is Miss Gold's fifth one-man show. Her previous exhibits were at Norllyst Gallery, 1945; Hudson Park Branch N. Y. Public Library, 1942; 135 St. Branch N. Y. Public Library 1946 and 1947. She is presently working on a series of paintings to be exhibited next fall on the theme of "The Negro in American Life."

Ben Ross Berenberg has been signed as production stage manager for the new Sarett and Herbert Rudley drama, How Long Till Summer, which Leon Bronesky and Edward Gilbert will bring to the Playhouse Theatre on Dec. 27 after out of town engagements in New Haven and Philadelphia.

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- **FAME IS THE SPUR.** An acutely drawn portrait of a British Party misleader, with a complex, studied performance by Michael Redgrave. Manhattan-Little Ciochetti.
- **THE AFFAIR BLUM.** A German film about an attempted frame-up which is particularly relevant today. Manhattan-World.
- **OPEN CITY.** Rossellini's fine film of the Italian underground resistance. Manhattan-Apollo.
- **THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY.** The Frank Capra comedy It Happened One Night.
- **DEVIL IN THE FLESH.** A tragic story of two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan-Paris Theatre.
- **ALL THE KING'S MEN.** Shallow and inconclusive, but Robert Rossen's direction makes this story of a Huey Long exciting to watch. Manhattan-Victoria.
- **KID SHOTS.** Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan-Bijou.
- **QUARTET.** Four polished and witty stories of Somerset Maugham cleverly done. Manhattan-Broadway Embassy.
- **ALWAYS LEAVE THEM LAUGHING.** Milton Berle crowding out the screen with his acts, sometimes funny, sometimes flat. Manhattan-Strand.
- **THE GREAT LOVER.** Bob Hope entangled with a cardsharp murderer and a bunch of young foresters who keep a strict watch on his morals. Manhattan-Paramount.
- **MAJOR BARBARA.** A revival of the famous Shaw version of his play, plus a charming French art short "1948." Manhattan-Art.
- **INTRUDER IN THE DUST.** Shallow and distorted as a picture of the Negro in the South, but Juan Hernandez's performance may make it worth your while. Manhattan-Mayfair.
- **FALLEN IDOL.** Carol Reed's direction may make this unmotivated melodrama worth seeing. Manhattan-Sutton Theater.
- **PINKY.** Except for some three scenes, an untrue account of the Negro's problems in the South. Manhattan-Rivoli.
- **BATTLEGROUND.** Sick and glib, partly redeemed by some humor of the Yank magazine type. Manhattan-Astor.

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TOKYO JOE. Bogart says Japanese fascists and Communists are in cahoots.
SHE WORE A YELLOW RIBBON. The worst of westerns distorting the history of the Indian nation and pre-attending Indians chauvinistically.

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Hollywood:

'I Conquer the World Through a Boudoir'

By David Platt

MEMO TO THE WELFARE COMMISSIONER: "At the corner of Madison Ave. and 107 St. in New York," writes Samuel Brody, who lives in that neighborhood, "there is a sight that epitomizes the utter moral decadence of a social system and a great art."

"In a setting of crumbling tenement buildings, streets in appalling states of disrepair, ragged children milling around garbage and vermin-infested vacant lots, etc., the following words blaze arrogantly from a huge billboard-size poster: I WILL CONQUER THE WORLD THROUGH A BOUDOIR SAYS 'PRINCE OF FOXES.'"

"In a community submerged in poverty, racial discrimination, relief cuts and shameful slums this poster advertising Tyrone Power's coming film stands out like a jeering mockery."

"Now, if only Welfare Commissioner Hilliard could explain to the underfed, underclothed and underhoused children of Harlem how one goes about 'conquering the world through a boudoir!' Or perhaps the Hollywood boudoir specialists could come in for a talk with the kiddies?"

THE NEW STALINGRAD: When the makers of The First Front, new Soviet film based on the battle for Stalingrad, currently at the Stanley Theatre, were choosing location spots for some of the scenes of the desperate street fighting in Stalingrad, they encountered an unexpected obstacle. Hoping to make the film as authentic and realistic as possible, they went to the center of Stalingrad where some of the most intensive fighting had taken place, only to realize that so much of Stalingrad had been rebuilt that in many instances they couldn't really shoot their scenes in the actual locale. Director Vladimir Petrov and his cast and crew had to travel to some of the outlying districts to find houses and buildings in the necessary state of destruction to serve as 'sets' for the scenes showing the darkest days of the war when every street, every building, every door, every room, was the scene of last ditch fighting in the tremendous battle that turned the tide of the war.

BRITISH FILM CRISIS: Word just received from London tells of a mighty meeting to 'save the British film industry' called by the Association of Cinematograph & Allied Technicians, a union of film workers. "Pointing to the near-bankruptcy and mass layoffs in the industry, the meeting demanded that the government take drastic steps to save it from 'collapse,' such as government operation of all idle studio space, establishment of government-managed distribution agency with its own circuit of 300 to 400 theatres. Last, but not least, sharp curtailment of Hollywood films in British theatres. Speaker after speaker charged that exhibitors are violating the law which requires that at least 40 percent of all films shown on screens be British-made. Saying that more than 70 percent of the films shown are American, union secretary George Elvin complained that fines assessed against law-breakers were so small they could easily pay them out of extra profits. Referring to a forthcoming meeting on film problems between British Trade Minister Harold Wilson and U. S. movie industry czar Eric Johnston, Elvin said British film workers will not regard it as a solution of present troubles if arrangements are made to sell British studios to American interests."

CONFIRMING THE WAR TREND IN WEST GERMANY: The Allied Control Commission has released 400 films made under the Nazi regime during and before the war to German authorities, reports Arthur Kelly, United Artists vice-president in charge of foreign sales.

UNDERCOVER STORY: "My patrons are fed up with murder and crime films like Undercover Man," says O. Fomby, manager, Paula Theatre, Homer, La., in Motion Picture Herald. Same issue (Dec. 3) announces purchase by Universal-International of an original story by Frances Rosenwald titled . . . Undercover Girl. . . Next week: Undercover Girl Meets Man. . . "Crime pictures are taboo. We might as well close up on days we run these."—C. P. Merwin, Manager, Lark Theatre, Larkspur, Cal.

LARAINÉ DAY'S TWO FILMS: United Artists announces that Laraine Day has just completed Without Honor co-starring Franchot Tone and Dane Clark. This is Miss Day's second film without honor, the first being I Married A Communist which she recently made for RKO.

AFTERMATH OF THE HOLLYWOOD STRIKE: The \$47,000,000 damage suit by the Conference of Studio Unions (CSU) against the major producers and the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) goes to trial in Los Angeles Federal Court before Judge William C. Mathes, January 31. The suit developed out of the 1945 strike during which Warner Bros. used tear gas to break up picket-lines. The producers and IATSE are charged with conspiring to eliminate the CSU from studio labor and to stifle independent producers. The damages asked are the wages CSU members lost.

Chaplin Film Festival 'Fame Is the Spur' n Photo League Dec. 16 Held for 5th Week

A Chaplin Film Festival will be held at the Photo League, 23 E. 10 St., NYC, Friday, Dec. 16, at 8:30 p.m. Five of the best Chaplin films are to be featured: The Cure, Easy Street, The Immigrant, The Floorwalker, The Pawnshop. Jerome Stern, editor of Film Sense, will discuss the work of Chaplin.

Fame Is The Spur, British film version of Howard Spring's best-seller novel, starring Michael Redgrave, has been held over for a fifth week at the Little Cinemet Theatre. Featured with the film is Birth Of A Ballet, a 30-minute subject in which Robert Helpmann and the Sadler's Wells dancers appear.



Books:

'White Birch,' Stirring Novel By Soviet Writer Bubennov

By Robert Friedman

THE WHITE BIRCH is a stirring first novel by the Soviet writer, Mikhail Bubennov. It was thought of highly enough to share with Ilya Ehrenburg's *The Storm* and P. Pavlenko's *Happiness* the first Stalin prizes for prose in 1947.

The novel is one of the World War II, its events occurring in the first stages of the conflict. It de-

THE WHITE BIRCH, by Mikhail Bubennov. Foreign Languages Publishing House, Moscow. 578 pp. \$1.25. Available at Four Continent and Workers' book shops.

scribes the welding together of raw, untrained men, unfamiliar with the tools of war and forced by the Nazi invasion to learn under fire, into a steely fighting unit animated by profound love of country and the Soviet way of life.

Bubennov shows graphically what it was like for the Soviet collective farmer, Andrei Lupukhov to learn the art of war—not under model training camp conditions—but under enemy fire, when the advantage was with the Nazi aggressors and when the task was to fight heroic delaying, and sometimes suicidal actions in order to hold back the German advance, permit civilian evacuation and, above all, to make time.

THE AUTHOR describes battle scenes with realism . . . the fears, the despairs, but over and above all the tremendous feats of valor by plain men like Andrei and his comrades.

Bubennov's realism does not shrink from telling of the treachery of Andrei's father, Erofei Kuznich, whose greed for property, and anti-Soviet feeling, long dissembled, lead him to collaborate with the Nazis when they occupy his village.

The cowardice of Lóznevoi, the lieutenant leads him, too, to betrayal, as does the conviction of Olenik that the Germans are invincible.

But these, the weak, the cowardly and the villainous, are few as against those who, like Andrei in

his company, and his young wife, Marika in her guerilla band, are profoundly certain of ultimate victory and fight unceasingly to achieve it.

Bubennov has drawn real personalities in Andrei, in the taciturn Siberian Sergeant Matvei, in the skilled, devoted company commander, Captain Ozerov.

THE WHITE BIRCH is the story of a phase in the anti-fascist war when the going was tough and the outlook foreboding. Bubennov gives the reader a grasp of the immensity of the job that had to be done, as the Nazis were threatening

Moscow, before the enemy advance could be halted and the counter-attack begun. All this the author has done, and while he has given an unsparingly honest account, there is here no cynicism, no sadism for sadism's sake, no "what the hell are we doing here" atmosphere with which so many of our own novels of the war are saturated.

Bubennov's hero, Andrei, knows what he was doing there, knows that his country and its way of life, like the slender, silver birch which still proudly dominated the field after a furious battle, "will go on standing. And living, too!"

On Stage:

THEATRE WEEKLY SCORES BAN ON WEXLEY PLAY IN TRENTON

Leo Shull, publisher of *Show Business*, theatrical weekly, has sent the following protest on the banning of the People's Drama production of *They Shall Not Die* in Trenton to Police Commissioner Duch, Trenton, N. J.

Police Commissioner Duch
Trenton, N. J.

Dear Commissioner:

A few days ago you refused to permit some actors in the People's Drama group to perform the show *They Shall Not Die*, the Scottsboro story presented on Broadway by the conservative and responsible theatre organization, The Theatre Guild, some 15 years ago. You stopped the show because you said it would incite people to riot (presumably because six Negro boys are now in your jail under death sentence for a crime of murder they deny committing).

This newspaper printed the story and gave it to several other New York papers, which also printed it.

Your niece, Barbara, a beautiful and talented actress, saw the story in *Show Business* and came to protest that it was unfair, that the People's Drama Group should have been stopped because they are radical (which means they do not

belong to your Republican Party, probably).

Now suppose your niece, an actress, were stopped from practicing her art because she was saying lines on the stage that the Police Commissioners of Milwaukee or Philadelphia didn't like because it was inciting the Republicans to riot.

This is not the American way. It is not even the European way because Voltaire said: "I may hate what you say, but I will defend your right to say it with my life." Your job, Commissioner, is to defend freedom of speech with your life, not to kill it.

May I respectfully urge you to reconsider your position and invite the members of People's Drama (17 W. 24 St., NYC) to return to Trenton and enjoy the freedom of speech they enjoy in New York and other cities. I have been told you observe all the laws of this country. You will not be criticized but win a great measure of respect if you change your mind and act in the spirit of the founders of our country.

Sincerely,

LEO SHULL,

Publisher of *Show Business* and secretary of the New York Theatre Reporters Association.

Today's Films:

NEW GERMAN FILM ON MINERS DESERVES WIDE CIRCULATION

The German-American Magazine sponsored a showing of a German film at the Stanley Friday night that, seems to us, deserves attention and more circulation than would seem available to it without English subtitles. Grube Morgenrot is the story of a mine in an East German town and of the history of its workers' aspirations for its use. Like *The Affair Blum* the movie makes of a 1931 attempt by the miners to work the mine collectively a kind of object

lesson for the German people.

The movie picks up a workers' committee in 1945 who have the task of working the long dormant mine for the benefit of the people. They recall a previous attempt to work it collectively and the story returns to the struggles of 1931, when the mine owners introduced a new machine to speed up production. The experiment is dangerous and the new machine causes the death of many miners.

When the owners threaten to

close the mine, blaming the workers, they seize it and stage a hunger strike until the owners, worried about public opinion at a time when they're seeking government subsidies, turn it over to the miners. The men are joyful and boo one of their leaders when he tells them that collectivization won't work in one place alone. His prophecy comes true.

But, recalling this story in 1945, they also remembered his saying that when all the mines belong to the people, socialism will work. This simple economic lesson illuminates all the elements of the plot, yielding its humor and tragedy and class-conscious knowledge. What it lacks in technical finish Grube Morgenrot makes up in the authenticity of its setting, the sincerity of the acting and the honesty of its theme.

—J. Y.

"A remarkable film, highly imaginative, poetic, uncompromisingly realistic."
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Music:

Farmer's Songs to City Workers In Hootenanny, Friday, Dec. 9

I came to the mid-Hudson Valley
Many a long year ago;
I spent all my time in the orchards
Making those red apples grow.

That's the first verse of an autobiographical ballad written by Lester Rice, fruit and poultry farmer of Orange County, New York. But it is not strictly accurate—Rice spent a great deal of time working in his orchards overlooking the Hudson, but he found time to do many other things as well.

He helped organize the Farmers Union in his county, for one thing, and is now the union chairman. He was an official of the ALP election campaign.

But a couple of years ago he took on a new job—writing songs for the Farmers Union in his area.

He sings these at union affairs and they have become widely known across the country—the National Farmers Union is publishing one of them.

Now Les Rice is going to appear at a People's Artists Hootenanny to introduce his songs to city workers. Together with Peter Seeger, Lee Hays and a score of other well-known people's singers, Rice will sing at the Penthouse, 13 Astor Place, Friday, Dec. 9. Tickets are \$1. His songs are addressed not only to farmers but also to city workers and consumers, whom he wants to tell:

Now all the workers in city and town,
I know your budget's a mess;
But when you get down to that last lousy buck,
Remember I'm 40 cents less.

What '49ers and Other Pro Stars Should Know

When the professional San Francisco 49ers, who make their living playing football, wanted to know how come they were playing last Sunday's game with the New York Yankees without getting paid, they were told it was in their contract.

It is, too.

And before the members of the Frisco club (which made barrel-fuls of money for owner Morabito, a wealthy contractor) sign their 1950 contracts, they and all the other players in the All America Conference might well carefully examine the fol-

lowing part of the league contract:

"... the ... club hereby employs football players to render skilled services as football players during the season of 1949 including exhibition, training camp, conference, post season and championship game."

Then they should carefully weigh this little gem:

"No bonus or extra remuneration shall be given to contracted ballplayers for exhibition or post-season games."

Ask some workers in industry what those words mean, Messrs. Standles, Eshmont, et al. They'll

tell you. Extra work for nothing. Free overtime.

What to do about it? Well, the 49ers did a fine, courageous thing in demanding pay for the playoff game and threatening to strike. They were sticking their necks out on their own in unfamiliar territory. It was a good try.

But sooner or later the guys who rock 'em and sock 'em on the play for pay circuit will discover that it's solid trade union organization, and nothing else, that pays off in bucking the big operators. Might as well be sooner as later.—RODNEY.

GIANT, DODGER DEALS FIZZLE

BALTIMORE, Dec. 6.—Just about the time a lot of big deals seemed to be cooking at the minor league meetings, somebody put the fire out. So instead of the expected frenzy trading involving major league teams, the magnates turned their attention today to the squabble on the controversial "bonus rule" which comes up for repeal tomorrow.

Whereas at first it had appeared that Commissioner Chandler, with backing from the major league executive council, would have enough support to wipe out the regulation, it looked now as if it would stay on the books. The rule makes it mandatory that a player signed with a bonus be brought to the majors within a year or be forfeited to the draft.

A super-duper deal between the Boston Braves and New York Giants, apparently had hit a road block.

"We're not any closer to doing business than we were a week ago," said Mel Ott.

The deal, which could start a chain-reaction of transactions involving other teams, was supposed to involve infielder Eddie Stanky, pitcher Johnny Sain, and possibly even young shortstop Alvin Dark of the Braves, with shortstop Buddy Kerr, outfielder Will Marshall and a couple of lesser-light pitchers of the Giants, was a stalemate stage.

So was the budding transaction between Saigh of the Cardinals and his arch-rival, Branch Rickey of the Dodgers. They have negotiated for more than a week and Saigh said he was ready to call the whole thing off.

"It isn't often that a first and second place club can close a major deal anyway," he said. "And as far as Brooklyn is concerned, I'm not trading a first line player unless we get one in return. Apparently, that isn't the way Mr. Rickey had it figured out."

The Dodgers had been seeking relief pitcher Ted Wilks and the Cardinals wanted outfielder Carl Furillo.

BETTER OFFER FOR BOWL GAME, PLEASE

STOCKTON, Calif., Dec. 6 (UP).—A spokesman for College of Pacific said today the University has rejected an offer to play Baylor University in the Harbor Bowl Football game at San Diego.

Dr. Walter Knox, Director of Physical Education at C.O.P., said that unless Harbor Bowl officials make "a much more substantial offer," C.O.P. was definitely out of the Bowl game.

Yanks Release Charley Keller

BALTIMORE, Dec. 6.—Charley Keller, one of the great New York Yankee stars of modern times, came to the end of his career with the champions today when he was given his unconditional release.

General manager George Weiss, who said he deeply regretted the action, made the former slugging outfielder a free agent in order that he could make a deal for himself.

"He has been one of the great stars, a real Yankee," Weiss said. "I told him that if ever a position in the Yankee organization suited to his desires is open, he will be given an opportunity to accept it."

The Yankees also announced the sale of pitcher Ralph Buxton of their Kansas City farm club to the San Francisco Seals. Buxton, who pitched for the Yankees part of last season, was involved in 14 games, mainly in relief roles. He lost one game and did not win any.

Keller, who suffered a back injury which necessitated the removal of a spinal disc two years ago, never regained the form that made him feared, second only to Joe DiMaggio, in the Yankee Murderers' Row.

N.B.A. STANDINGS

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Chicago	12	5	
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Pt. Wayne	9	5 St. Louis	9 9
WESTERN DIVISION			
Anderson	11	3 Tri City	5 12
Sheboygan	7	7 Waterloo	4 13
Indianapolis	9	10 Denver	3 16

New England Loop Folds, Newark May Shift to Springfield, Mass.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 6 (UP).—Directors of the Class B New England League today voted officially to disband the circuit effective Jan. 15, 1950, thus paving the way for transfer of the Newark International League franchise to Springfield, Mass.

The decision to dissolve the circuit, once one of the most thriving in the country, was made when the Brooklyn Dodgers announced they were withdrawing

IKE'S NEXT MAY BE IN LONDON

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 6.—Lightweight champ Ike Williams, who beat Freddy Dawson and whispers of a betting coup by decisioning Freddie Dawson here last night in a championship match before 10,369 fans, may make his sixth title defense in England in February. He is considering an offer to fight the winner of an English elimination tourney.

Court Notes

CCNY's collection of sophomore and senior stars, warned by Coach Nat Holman not to let newspaper stories of their prowess go to their heads, worked out hard yesterday for their second Garden test. They play Southern Methodist tomorrow night, with LIU meeting strong Kansas State, Bix Six favorites, in the other game.

SMU, Holman recalled, took City by surprise last year, hanging the first Garden defeat on the up-towners. The veterans, Caliber, Dambrot, Wittlin and Mager, remembered well the fast breaking SMU sophs, who wore City down.

Up at Buffalo Monday night, Brooklyn College went out of its own league, where it had won six straight, and was beaten by Niagara 77-56. Don Siegelau, the 6-7 Brooklynite, scored 15 ... Indiana, rated by some a challenger for Big Ten honors, opened up by beating Wabash 64-33, with Garrett leading the scoring ... Dick Schnittker, Ohio State's great star, scored 33 in a 82-53 rout of Marquette, but now goes back to football for the Rose Bowl game and may miss a couple of Big Ten games early in January. Bowling Green, despite the loss of 6-10 Charles Share and Mac Otten, is starting to win those early double-headers by huge-scores again. ...

Gonzales Wins One

Dick Gonzales, after a long victory-less spell, flashed brilliant tennis in Syracuse Monday night to upset champion Jack Kramer 8-6, 6-2. He has now won five of the 27 matches.

on the scoreboard

by lester rodney



Notre Dame and 'The Russian Way'

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS quoted Notre Dame athletic director Ed Krause as follows after Saturday's victory over Southern Methodist: "Dallas, Dec. 3 (AP).—I have had folks tell me 'you fellows should lose some games or you won't have anyone to play,' Krause said. We do not want to lose. That isn't the American way. If this were in Russia it might be that way. ..."

WE TAKE YOU NOW to the Dynamo Stadium in Moscow, where Moscow U. and Leningrad U. are clashing before 96,000 fans in the climax game of the soccer football season. The half has just ended with Moscow leading 3-0. The Moscow players leave the field dejectedly. Leningrad troops off in high spirits, the players punching each other in the arm exuberantly. "Way to go!"

In the glum Moscow rooting section two students are talking.

"Looks bad, eh?"

"It's only the first half. Plenty of time, maybe they'll catch us yet."

"Ah, what's the use of kidding yourself. They're worse than we are and you know it. Where do they get them year after year? What the hell's the matter with our alumni? Our whole athletic setup? Can't we attract a few more stumblebum defense men, a porous goalie? Can't we offer as many inducements as Leningrad?"

"Boy, we better do SOMETHING. Looks like we may be in for a few more years of winning. I hear Leningrad has come up with the worst freshman team in its history."

Bitterly: "I bet they're paying them plenty, too!"

ON THE LENINGRAD side of the field there's bubbling animation through the stands. An excited sophomore leans down a row and whacks a friend on the head with a folded copy of *Isvestia*. "Didn't I tell you it would be worth the trip?" he shouts. "Did you see Petrov miss that pass, oh boy!"

And now, as the cheerleaders turn exuberant somersaults, a Leningrad fight cheer rips into the clear November air.

Stumble, Stumble, Stumble.
Bumble, Bumble, Bumble.
On the field, on the field,
YIELD! YIELD! YIELD!

DOWN IN the Moscow dressing room the players sit and stand around in front of their lockers, on the floor, on the rubbing table. Some of the faces are pensive, some blank, some tight with determination. None are smiling, or even talking very much. The door opens slowly. The coach walks in. He stands silently for a moment, fists clenched at sides. The uneasy chatter dies down.

"Well, men of Moscow University," he begins with ponderous sarcasm, "I hope you're proud of yourself. Your mothers and fathers and sweethearts out there in the stands must be very proud of you, too."

The men squirm uneasily. The coach twists his lips from one side of his mouth to the other. Then he begins to walk up and down, head low, voice soft.

"What does Moscow U. mean to you men? When you pull on that uniform with the big M on the shirt does your heart beat just as it did, or does it beat a little faster? Can you go home after a game like this, and actually eat your supper, look at your loved ones, laugh, sing as though everything were the same?"

He stood stock still, trembling.

"The second half is about to begin. I have nothing more to say. I'm just your coach after all. Just an old Moscow man. I can't go out there on the field with you."

The players start filing out onto the field as the last strains of the band music seep into the dressing room. Standing at the door, the coach pushes each player forward as they stream out with set, determined and even tear-stained faces. His voice is now a hoarse staccato roar.

"Get out there and show them! Show them what it means to play football the Russian way! Get out there and LOSE, LOSE, LOSE, LOSE, LOSE, LOSE, LOSE. ..."

MEMO TO MR. KRAUSE of Notre Dame. You really were being a little silly, weren't you, trying to drag some of the current wild-eyed anti-Russian war hysteria into a post-football discussion. What do you think of those Russians up at Harvard. The only team they could beat all season was those Russians from Holy Cross. They can't win for losing. (Not to mention Mr. Eisenhower's Russians at Columbia.) And imagine, if SMU's Kyle Rote had fallen forward one more yard in that fourth quarter, Notre Dame would have gotten a wire of congratulations from Stalin himself for losing!

While on the subject of this "way" and that "way," could you answer a little question, please? Exactly what "way" is it whereby Notre Dame, which draws its athletes from schools all over the land, never seems to come up with a Negro player, of whom there are plenty on both the high and prep school teams? And what would you call the opposite "way" practiced by your Big Ten neighbors like Indiana, Michigan, Michigan State, Illinois, Northwestern, Iowa, Wisconsin, et al., where the color of the skin doesn't seem to matter on the gridiron?

Yarosz-Beau

Tommy Yarosz, Monaca, Pa., light-heavyweight, will start his bid for title ranking, when he risks his

ranking against Jimmy Beau, undefeated Norwalk, Conn., middle weight in the feature of four star eight rounders at the St. Nicholas Arena tonight.